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MUKDEN GIVES WAY TO SOVIET!

COMPLETE SURRENDER OF POSITION.

SENSATIONAL MOSCOW REPORT OF SETTLEMENT TERMS.

POWERS READY TO ACT.

A sensational report from Moscow bearing on the intensive Soviet thrust in Manchuria last week and authorised by the Soviet Government, reveals object surrender on the part of the Mukden authorities. M. Litvinoff announces the receipt of a message from General Chang Hsueh-liang, giving way on all points, offering to restore the pre-conflict situation on the Chinese Eastern Railway, even to the point of accepting the old Russian manager and assistant manager.

Nanking's reaction to this news is not known. It appears certain that the campaign of the Soviet troops, which smashed the Chinese defensive lines in the region of Manchuria was designed solely to scare the Manchurian authorities and hasten a settlement.

Chang Hsueh-liang's surrender—it amounts to nothing less if the report is true—comes at a time when the important Powers signatory to the Kellogg Pact were considering joint action.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Arthur Henderson yesterday said he was willing to consider whether Britain should initiate joint action.

As we go to press, a Reuter message comes from Tokyo stating that it is learned that the American Charge D'Affaires, Mr. Neville, visited Baron Shidehara last evening for the purpose, it is believed, of proposing some form of joint action in conjunction with the British, French and Italian Governments. Although Baron Shidehara's attitude on the matter is not known, it is believed that the Japanese official viewpoint has not changed since the summer when it was notably cautious. As however, Mr. Stimson is reported to have made clear that America's main interest was the integrity of the Kellogg Pact and not interference in Manchurian affairs, it was possible that Japan was prepared to assent.

SOVIET WITHDRAWING TROOPS.

Mukden, Nov. 27.
The military authorities in Mukden have decided to withdraw the Chinese defence line to west of the Hingnan Mountains east of Mutangchiang, and along the Sungari River to Hsuehuan.

Outside these points no Chinese soldiers will remain.—Reuter.

Harbin, Nov. 27.
It now appears that the Soviet forces which invaded North Manchuria were never east of Tsuran Station, 57 versts from Manchuria and 11 versts west of Hailar.

Telegraphic communication has been established to within 85 versts of Manchuria, or approximately 20 versts down the railway from Hailar.—Reuter.

Soviet Withdrawals.
Tokyo, Nov. 28.
Reports reaching Harbin and relayed to Japan by wireless, appear to confirm a report that Soviet troops have withdrawn from Chinese territory.

Refugees arriving at Buchatu report that Dulainor on which the recent Russian operations were centred has now been evacuated, though Soviet planes continue to fly over the railway zone, which fact with the resumption and disorganisation of the railway prevent the resumption of communications.

Purpose of Thrust.
It would appear therefore that the recent Soviet thrust was primarily intended to bring pressure to bear on the Chinese to hasten a settlement of the dispute.—Reuter.

Moscow, Nov. 27.
According to the Tass Agency (official), General Chang Hsueh-liang, the young leader of the Manchurian Government, has wired to M. Litvinoff, the acting Soviet Foreign Minister, proposing the restoration of the pre-conflict situation in regard to the Chinese Eastern Railway.

This offer includes the reinstatement of the former manager and assistant-manager of the railway.

M. Litvinoff has wired his consent. He proposes that a Chinese representative be sent to Hahnrovska to discuss with a representative of the Soviet Foreign Commissariat details of the proposals and also to arrange for a Soviet-Chinese conference.—Reuter.

British Concern.
London, Nov. 27.
Questioned concerning the Sino-Soviet situation and the Kellogg Pact, Mr. Arthur Henderson, the Foreign Secretary, conveyed the willingness of the British Government to any proposed joint action.

He was willing to consider whether Britain should initiate plans for joint action.

Mr. Henderson's reply was made to a question by Mr. Harris, a Liberal member, who placed the blame at the door of the Soviet.

Soviet Blamed.
The Foreign Secretary was asked whether, seeing that certain hostile acts had been committed by the Union of Soviet Republics against the Republic of China, both parties having signed the Kellogg Pact, he would consider bringing this breach of the Pact before the other Governments that had attached their signatures to this pact, with a view of bringing about a peaceful settlement.

Mr. Henderson replied that the Kellogg Pact provided no machinery for dealing with any case of infraction or apparent infraction of its terms, but merely stated in the preamble that its signatories sought to promote its national interests by resort to war would be denied the benefits furnished by that treaty. He understood the Chinese Government might appeal to the League of Nations. The Covenant of League provided machinery for dealing with such an appeal and he thought it would be best to await

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HARBOUR DUES AT SINGAPORE.

SUGGESTIONS IN THE COMMONS.

SHARP REPLY BY MR. LUNN, UNDER-SECRETARY.

BASE CROPS UP AGAIN.

London, Nov. 27.
Suggestions to the Government regarding the shipping facilities at Singapore drew a sharp reply from Mr. W. Lunn, the Under-Secretary for the Colonies, in the House of Commons to-day, when Sir George Penny asked whether the Government had received a recommendation for the appointment of a Committee to consider the question of charges and improvements at the Tanjong Pagar Dock.

Mr. Lunn said that Lord Passfield had received no recommendation to this effect, whereupon Sir George Penny declared that there was a great feeling at Singapore in regard to the excessive cost to shipping using the Government wharves.

Questioner Reproved.
He suggested that the Colonial Office should make representations to see that Harbour dues were charged on vessels using the port when they did not use the wharves.

He also suggested the spreading of the sinking fund over a longer period in order to lighten the burden on shipping and industry.

Mr. Lunn replied: "If we were to enquire into every case just because of the feelings which an individual member expressed, and in regard to which we have no official information, we should never get done."

Naval Base Questions.
The Naval Base at Singapore also loomed large at question-time.

In reply to one question, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald stated that postponement of work was confined to the Naval Base. No change of plans had been made with regard to the Air Base.

Mr. A. V. Alexander, the First Lord of the Admiralty, replying to Sir Gen. H. Clifton Brown, said that no orders for material had been cancelled, owing to the slowing down of work, but the suspension of various items of work would result in certain orders not being placed for the present.

A good deal of work that would have been done was work that would have been done in the East.

Conditions of Grants.
Replying to Mr. W. L. Everard, Mr. Alexander gave particulars of the conditions (if any) attaching to the contributions by the Federated Malay States, New Zealand, Hongkong and the Straits Settlements. He said that the contributions promised by the Malay States were conditional upon the proposals remaining unaltered.

The land was to revert to the Straits Settlements Government in the event of any alteration regarding the Base and the Admiralty was to pay its market value. The contributions from Hongkong and New Zealand were subject to no express conditions except the implied condition that the money was to be spent on the development of the Base.

False Pretences?
Mr. Everard asked whether it was not perfectly clear that the grants were made on the express understanding that this contract would be completed.

"Are not the Government getting this money by false pretences?" he asked.

Mr. Alexander pointed out that the money at present taken up had been taken by the Government's predecessors.

Mr. D. C. Somerville asked if any protest had been received from the subscribers and Mr. Alexander replied that the question had already been answered.—Reuter and British Wireless.

IRISH AND PRIVY COUNCIL.

REPORTED REPUDIATION AS COURT OF APPEAL.

COMMONS STATEMENT.

London, Nov. 27.
A statement made in the Irish Free State Parliament by the Minister of Defence, Mr. Blythe, in which he is reported to have repudiated the authority of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council as a Court of Appeal, was the subject of a question in the House of Commons to-day.

Sir Kingsley Wood (Conservative) asked the Premier whether it was the intention of the Government to maintain the terms of the Irish Treaty and to ensure that the position of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council as the Supreme Court of Appeal for the Dominions, including the Irish Free State, should at all times be fully safeguarded.

The Premier replied that when so much of the constitutional working of our Imperial machinery was alleged in consequence of the recent one passed by the Imperial Conference in 1926, the Privy Council's position was left for

H. E. SIR CECIL CLEMENTI.

To Remain Here Until February.

NO NEWS OF SUCCESSOR.

We are officially informed that H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., will not be leaving Hongkong to take up his new post in the Straits Settlements until February 1st.

A telegram has been received from the Secretary of State agreeing to His Excellency remaining in Hongkong until that date.

In official circles, there is as yet no news as to who will succeed Sir Cecil as Governor of Hongkong.

consideration by the next Imperial Conference and until that had met, the position remained where it was.

The Government had had no communication from the Irish Free State Government on this matter.

Such a communication and such a communication alone would receive his official attention.

Replying to a further question, the Premier said he had never experienced from the Irish Free State any inclination to do anything but observe its honourable obligations.—British Wireless.

ARSENAL DEFEATED IN LEAGUE.

ABANDONED GAME PROVES UNFORTUNATE.

London, Nov. 27.
At Highbury to-day, in the replay of a First Division match, Arsenal were defeated by Middlesbrough, who scored two goals to one by the Arsenal.

The match was started on the 16th instant and abandoned ten minutes after half time owing to weather conditions. In the first match, Arsenal were leading 1-0 when the game was stopped.—Reuter.

THE HARBOUR PIPE LINE.
SOME DELAY IN THE WORK EXPECTED.
We understand that the work in connexion with laying the harbour pipe-line is likely to be hindered somewhat by reason of the fact that certain flexible joints, bolts, etc., have not been forwarded from Home so expeditiously as was expected.

CONSERVING TIN IN MALAYA.

F.M.S. DECISION IS APPROVED.

HOME GOVERNMENT WILL NOT INTERFERE.

WISDOM OF ACTION.

London, Nov. 27.
Replying to Sir A.N.S. Sandeman in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. W. Lunn, the Under-Secretary for the Colonies, said that Lord Passfield saw no reason to disapprove of the decisions of the F.M.S. Government, aimed at the conservation of tin resources.

He mentioned that Lord Passfield did not participate in the negotiations.

Sir George Penny said that everyone in that part of the world thought the decisions were most wise.

The following statement was officially issued on the 13th inst. at Kuala Lumpur:
Government Decision.
The F.M.S. Government recently had under consideration the matter of the rate of depletion of potential tin resources in the F.M.S. and has reached the conclusion, after careful consideration, that neither the industry nor Government would derive any advantage from acceleration of the rate of depletion.

Therefore it has been decided that except in special cases no application for mining land or conversion of agricultural to mining title outside existing mining areas, will be considered; and further that within such mining areas alienation or conversion will not in general be approved, unless essential for efficient development of existing undertakings.

A private meeting of the Tin Producers Association Incorporated, held in London, to-day under the chairmanship of Sir Philip Cunliffe-Lister, unanimously decided to adopt the scheme for the regulation of supplies and authorities (the Council) to take steps to carry it out.—Reuter.

New Association.
Penang, Nov. 20.
Presiding at the annual meetings of Batu Caves Tin Dredging Co., Ltd., and Rantau Tin Dredging Co., Ltd., held to-day in the offices of Henry Waugh and Co., Mr. D. A. M. Brown addressed the shareholders on the subject of the recently formed Tin Producers' Association.

During the past few months, he said the Tin Producers' Association had been formed, its main objects being the protection and betterment of the tin industry. It must strike anyone looking back over the past years that notwithstanding the enormous strides made possible by scientific research in all other metals, no attempt had been made by the producers to investigate on similar lines the unique qualities which tin as a metal possessed.

Many of the uses of tin were being assailed by direct competition by other metals and with great success. If tin was to hold its own in the markets of the world to-day, not only in the uses of to-day but in many, as yet, unexplored uses, then it was essential that the producers organise as a body on the most up-to-date lines.

Lesson From Aluminium.
The newly formed Tin Producers' Association provided that opportunity and they must give it, as those most interested in the industry not only had their moral support, but also such financial back as it required.

Scientific research which was the key-note of the whole movement, required money and it was all to their interest as producers to supply the necessary funds which would require only a very small proportion of the value per picul.

One had only to visualise the enormous development in the uses of aluminium made possible by scientific research and strong financial backing by those interested in that industry, and which was, as he had said, very largely in competition with the uses of tin, to realise that the tin industry must, for its own protection, put its house in order on up-to-date lines.

The question of rationalization was one that might divide the camp into two parts—those who believed in the old, old theory of adjustment by supply and demand, against those who believed that the economic principles of modern commerce were

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LABOUR RETAINS KILMARNOCK.

LADY COMMUNIST AT FOOT OF THE POLL.

TORIES DO BETTER.

London, Nov. 27.
The bye-election for the Kilmarnock Division, Scotland, caused by the death of Mr. Robert Gilmie, who held the seat for Labour, has resulted as follows:

Mr. C. Atchison (Lab.) 18,465
Mr. G. G. MacAndrew (Con.) 13,270
Mrs. Isabel Brown (Comm.) 1,448

Labour Majority 5,195

The figures at the previous election were:
Mr. R. Gilmie (Lab.) 17,365
Mr. G. G. MacAndrew (Con.) 10,980
Mr. J. R. Rutherford (Lab.) 7,700

Labour Majority 6,425
[Mr. C. Atchison, K.C., is the Lord Advocate for Scotland, and was educated at Edinburgh University. He was called to the Bar in 1907, and became K.C. in 1923. He is a leading criminal lawyer in Scotland.]

Major Charles Glen MacAndrew, who won the seat from the Labour

THE SHANGHAI SHARE MARKET.

Conflicting News Reaches Hongkong.

TENDENCY OF MARKET.

A well-known local share-broker informs us that, in response to cabled enquiries made yesterday, he received this morning a telegram from his agents in Shanghai to the effect that the November Settlement has passed, quite satisfactorily.

The agent stated that he had no decided opinion as to the immediate future of the market, but that in regard to Ewon there was, if anything, a tendency in favour of buyers.

This information is in direct conflict with that cabled by our Shanghai correspondents yesterday, which stated that not only had the Settlement not been met, but that there was a possibility of litigation.

Party in 1924, is a native of Ayrshire, and is engaged in farming near Kilmarnock.]

PREMIER AND UNITED STATES.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO PEACE OF THE WORLD.

London, Nov. 27.
At a meeting in the House of Commons of various peace organizations, at which Mr. Frank B. Kellogg, the co-author of the anti-war pact was present, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, referring to his recent visit to the United States, said that the Americans were not going to co-operate with us as Allies bound by formal ties, they were not going to mix themselves up in any European messes, but it was perfectly evident that wherever and whenever a humane flag is flying, the hearts of the Americans are there.—Reuter.

MOLESEY DISASTER MIRACLE.

"LOST" FIREMAN FOUND ALIVE ON ROCKS.

London, Nov. 27.
A fireman, one of the eight persons reported missing from the wreck of the steamer "Molesley," which was dashed on the rocks near Woolack Point, Pembroke-shire, on Monday, has been found alive and uninjured on the rocks.—British Wireless.

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CANTON IS MORE CONFIDENT.

TROOPS ARRIVE FROM THE NORTH.

PLANES DROP BOMBS ON WUCHOW POSITIONS.

CRASH AT SAMSHUI.

News from Canton to-day indicates that, following the arrival of reinforcements from Nanking, an air of confidence prevails amongst officials. In the meantime, considerable aerial activity is reported. Canton planes have already flown over Wuchow and dropped bombs, whilst daily raids are to be made against military positions occupied by the enemy along the West River.

One of the Canton planes came to grief yesterday morning at Samshui, when it crashed on attempting to land.

Canton, Nov. 27.

Two Cantonese aeroplanes flew over Wuchow yesterday and dropped a number of bombs on military positions. It is reported that seven people were killed as a result.

Planes from Canton will now fly every day along the West River to bomb military positions held by the rebellious Kwangsi troops.

Much activity is apparent at the Tai Sha Tau aerodrome. A number of new French aero engines arrived in Canton on Saturday, and these have now been mounted on the old Breguet planes.

Defence Line At Samshui.

The main body of the Cantonese troops is now concentrating at a point above Samshui, where they are reported to be preparing defences.

Meanwhile, it is reported that negotiations are taking place for a peaceful settlement of the differences between the rebel Kwangsi generals, and the Cantonese authorities. These reports are correct, it is certain that the negotiations are at present entirely unofficial in character.

The attitude of the Canton officials is absolutely confident; in fact, it has never been more so than at present. So far, no clashes have occurred between the opposing forces, and many people think there will be no actual fighting. This may in part account for the confidence in official circles.

Transports Arrive.

Another factor is undoubtedly the arrival of three transports from Nanking, with several thousand troops on board. Other boats are said to be in the river and are expected at any moment.—Our Own Correspondent.

A Canton News Agency report states that three China Merchants boats left Shanghai on Saturday last with reinforcements, and that they were accompanied by the three cruisers Tsau Tung, Tsau and Pao Chai.

Messages received in Hongkong to-day say it is reported that Taching is still in the hands of Cantonese troops, and that the main body of Kwangsi troops is situated about five miles above that place.

According to previous reports, however, some Kwangsi troops have reached a point much further down the river.

The three transports that arrived from Nanking yesterday morning are said to have about 5,000 troops on board.

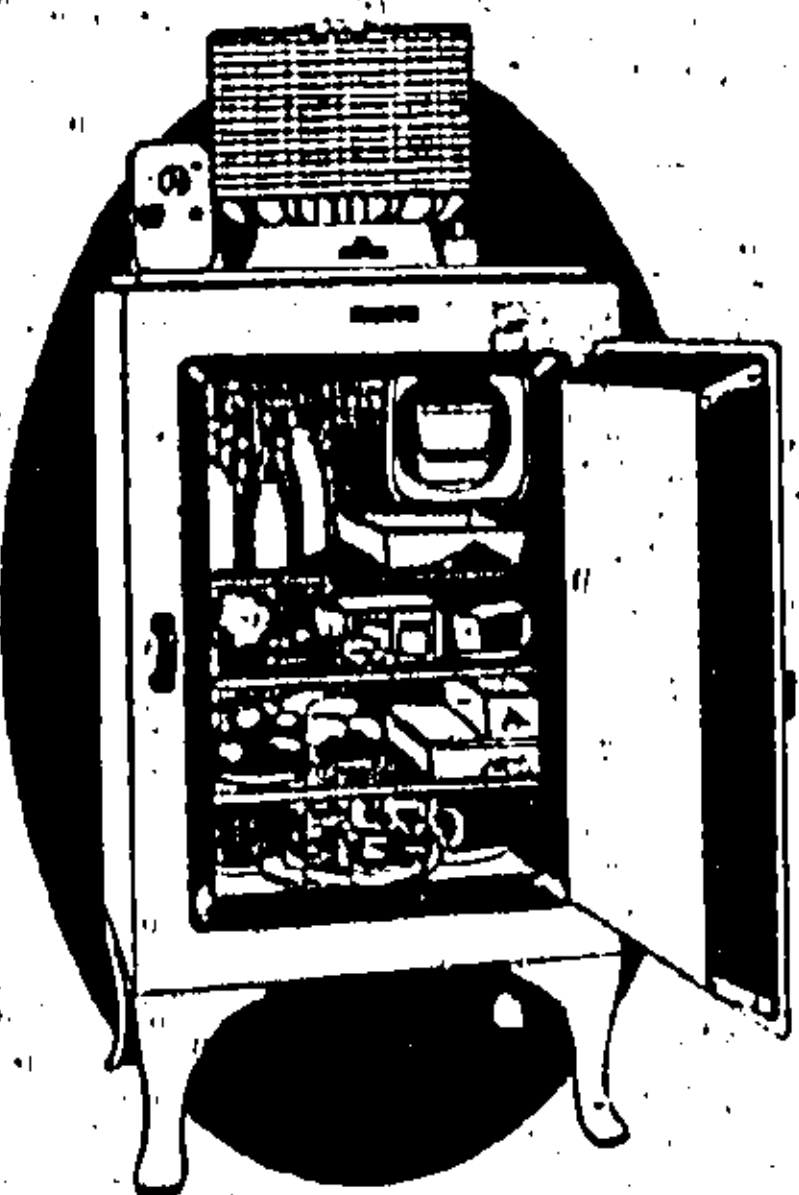
Canton Details.
The Canton News Agency denies the report that the Kwangsi leaders have 80,000 troops ready to take part in the invasion of Kwangtung. It says that the exact number of Kwangsi troops is known to the Canton Headquarters, and that the units under General Li Chung-yan cannot exceed many more than 20,000 men.

Military circles, says the Agency, are absolutely confident of the final issue, this being reflected in the calm attitude amongst officials. It is further denied that, in consequence of Marshal Law, all communication is suspended after

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OPIMUM-SMOKING IN HONGKONG.

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REGISTRATION ISSUE.

A Government memorandum on the use of opium in Hongkong divides the question into three parts. The first details the situation as regards the use of opium prepared for smoking and the second outlines the measures taken by the Government to give effect to obligations undertaken in the Hague Opium Convention and the Geneva Opium Agreement. These two parts of the Memorandum are given below and show that it is impossible to estimate the quantity of prepared opium consumed per head of the population. It is suggested that the amount of smuggled opium may greatly exceed the amount legitimately sold. The Government has decided that any system of registration would be impossible and suggests that in the present state of Chinese opinion the only way to diminish or stop the use of opium in the Colony is to diminish or stop production elsewhere.

1. It is difficult to give any accurate estimate of the numbers of persons in the Colony who use opium. It was the considered opinion of a Committee which was appointed by the Government in 1924 that some 20% to 25% of the adult Chinese population, including some 1% or 2% of the adult female population, used opium, and it was thought at the time that there had been a slight tendency towards an increase in the percentage during the previous six or seven years.

2. The above-mentioned Committee considered that there was no Chinese public opinion hostile to the use of opium and, in fact, that the practice of opium smoking had a very large measure of popular support. Nothing has transpired of recent years to indicate that popular opinion had undergone any change.

3. Two factors contribute to render it impossible to give any accurate estimate of the quantity of prepared opium consumed per head of the population.

The first of these factors is the difficulty of ascertaining the actual population of the Colony.

According to the census taken in 1921 the population was then 625,166, but in 1924 the above-mentioned Committee regarded 1,300,000 as very much nearer the mark.

The population is, moreover, subject to great variations occasioned by the influx of labourers when conditions are favourable in this Colony and to other influxes of refugees when conditions in South China are disturbed.

A very large floating population also contributes to the difficulty of accurate ascertainment.

Smuggling Difficulty.

The second factor is the impossibility of determining with any accuracy the amount of opium which is smuggled into the Colony. In recent years the figures of actual seizures of smuggled opium have fluctuated between a maximum of 300,567 taels in 1923 and 48,450 taels in 1928.

The view has been expressed that the amount smuggled into the Colony is at least equal to the amount of Government opium sold, but in view of the high price of Government opium (\$14.50 per tael) compared with the low price of smuggled opium (say \$2.80 to \$3.50 per tael), the difficulty of the prevention of smuggling owing to the geographical position of the Colony, and the diminution of sales of Government opium notwithstanding the increase of population it appears not unlikely that the amount smuggled very greatly exceeds the amount legitimately sold.

The sharp rise to nearly four times the ordinary sales when the price of Government opium was reduced in 1927 confirms this view.

Big Fall in Sales.

4. In the year 1918 the amount of Government opium sold in the Colony was 639,084 taels. In the year 1924 the amount sold was 551,560 taels and in the year 1928 the amount sold was 247,352 taels.

There had been, between 1918 and 1924, a very substantial increase in the population. In 1924 the Colony was in a most prosperous state and the maximum population was in all probability then reached; and though during the years 1925 and 1926 there was a great exodus of the labouring population, it is considered that the population has now again reached the figure at which it stood in 1924. The sales of opium in the year 1928 therefore show a most substantial reduction when compared with those of the year in which the population most nearly approximated the present figure.

It is impossible to state with any accuracy the difference between the population in 1918 and that in 1928, but some indication of the growth of the Colony can be deduced from the fact that during the intervening years 8,650 new domestic buildings have been erected in the Colony and there is still a demand for increased accommodation.

It is clear that the population in 1928 was very much greater than it was in 1918 but the official sales of opium had fallen by nearly 400,000 taels.

Licensing Difficulties.

5. The Government has given serious consideration to the question of the possibility of registration and licensing of consumers. It has, however, come to the conclusion that any system of registration would be impossible owing to the great number of consumers, which, taking the conservative estimate of 20% on the last census figure, would be over 125,000 persons.

It is felt that any system of registration would, also be abortive on account of the difficulty which would be experienced in controlling so fluctuating and unstable a population.

Any system of licensing would be open to great abuses in the buying and selling of licences, in impersonation and in the cornering of stocks and profiteering by licensees.

If the granting of licences were confined to individuals permanently resident in the Colony, it is felt that this would prove an increased incentive to the fluctuating population to bring in opium from China. The wealthier class of temporary residents, would in all probability purchase Government opium from the licensed permanent residents and this would tend to increase application for licences, as members of the lower classes would be put forward as figure-heads in order that larger supplies might be obtained.

A system of registration might possibly lead to some diminution in the sales of Government opium but, owing to the difficulty of the prevention of smuggling, it is regarded as extremely unlikely that it would lead to any diminution whatsoever in the total amount of opium consumed in the Colony.

Stopping Production.

6. In the present state of Chinese public opinion the only way to diminish or put a stop to the use of opium in the Colony is to diminish or put a stop to its production elsewhere.

That no effective control on the production of opium is exercised within the neighbouring provinces of China is clearly evidenced by the fact that of the total seizures of illicit opium made in Hongkong in the year 1928 more than 74% was opium of Chinese origin, and it is noteworthy that most of the raw opium seized bore Chinese revenue labels.

7. The Government feels that the fixing of any maximum limit for the amount of prepared opium to be placed on sale, calculated according to the number of adult Chinese population, would result in the buying up and hoarding of stocks by speculators who would resell at an enhanced price, and the substitution of smuggled opium for Government opium in so far as the supply fell short of the demand.

This was found to be the case when a similar expedient was tried in the Straits Settlements and the Punjab.

8. The limitation of sales by any further raising of the price of Government opium would in the opinion of the Government, also fail to diminish consumption, as smuggled opium would take the place of Government opium.

There is an undoubted demand for Chinese opium, but the fact that much of the smuggled Chinese opium is heavily adulterated prevents its ousting entirely the Government opium from the local market.

Control Over Divans.

9. In the past stringent measures were taken against those keeping or using opium divans.

These divans were used largely by members of the coolie class and were in the main cubicles in tenement houses and bed or bunk spaces in coolie lodging houses.

The keepers were generally people in very poor circumstances who kept a few pipes and a few mace of smuggled opium and charged 5 or 10 cents for a smoke.

Any attempt to control and limit the use of the divans necessarily involved great demands upon the time of revenue officers, and the result of raids was that the gaols became congested with thousands of members of the labouring classes who were thrown into prison every year for smoking opium in these so-called divans. The Government recognized that these individuals were the victims of economic pressure who, unable to afford to pay the price of Government opium, found available a plentiful supply of cheap smuggled Chinese opium.

The enforcement of the provisions prohibiting the keeping and using of divans thus involved the Government in heavy expense and at the same time curtailed the time available for the more useful activities of the Revenue officers.

In these circumstances the Government in 1928 relaxed the enforcement of measures against the keepers and users of divans and the number of convictions for "divan" offences in that year fell to 13 as compared with 4,796 in 1927.

The very small quantity of opium usually seized in "divan" raids and the more beneficial use of the revenue officers' services in other directions can best be gauged by the fact that while 2261 seizures in 1927 yielded 48,921 taels, the reduced number of 711 seizures in 1928 yielded the closely comparable figure of 48,460 taels.

Medical Aspects.

10. A strong force of revenue officers and searchers is maintained by the Government and this has been increased as the population grew.

This year three additional female searchers have been appointed for the specific purpose of prevention of smuggling of opium by incoming female passengers.

11. The general physique of the Chinese population does not appear to give any indication of the ill effects of the use of opium.

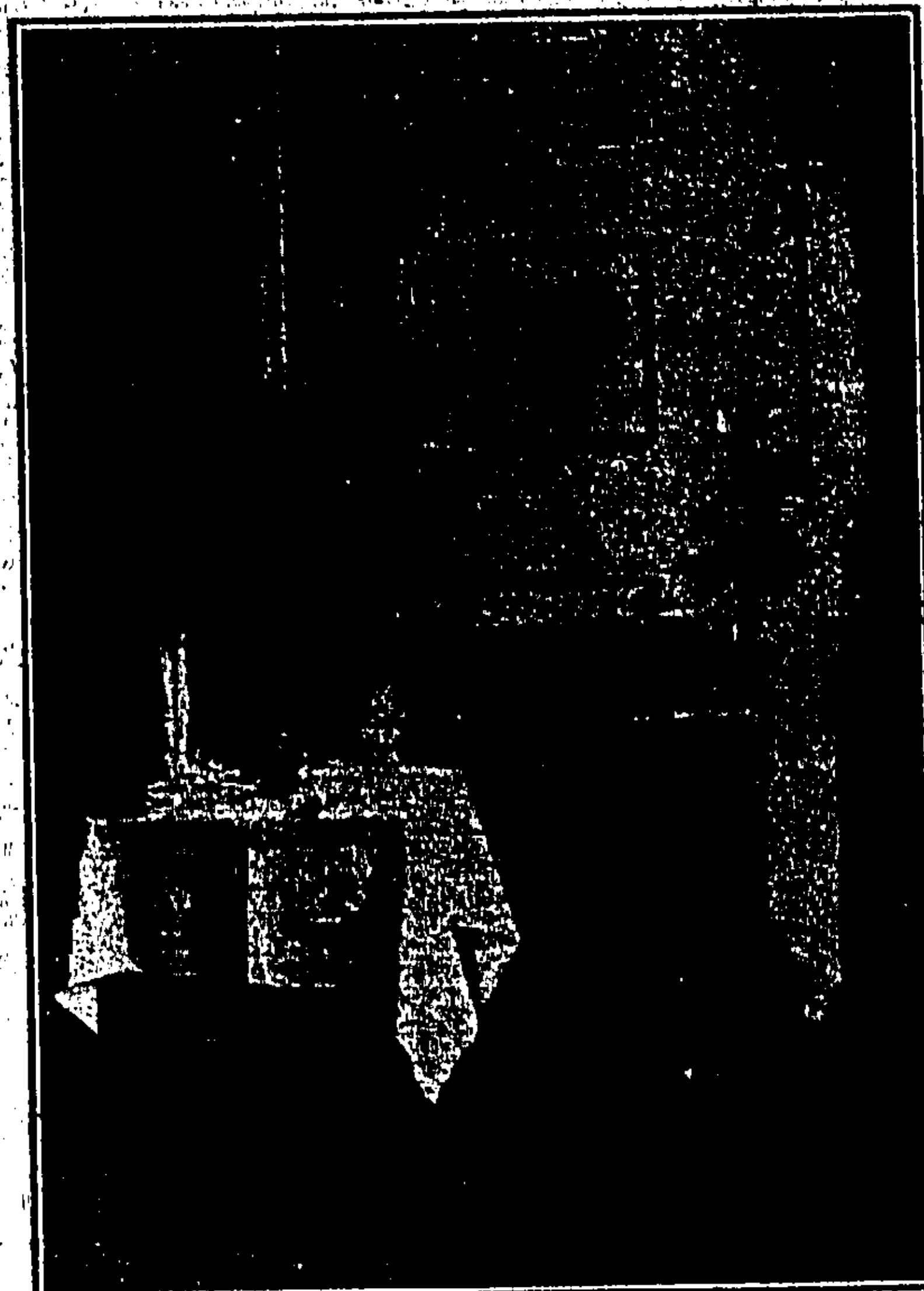
Its use is common among members of the coolie class who are engaged in heavy manual labour and among the agricultural community working in localities where fever is prevalent.

By members of these classes and also by those suffering from pulmonary diseases opium is regarded as being of great medicinal value. It might be said that almost all persons suffering from tuberculosis use opium and, as this disease is rife in the Colony, they probably account for a high percentage of the consumers.

During the year 1928 there were treated in Government and Chinese

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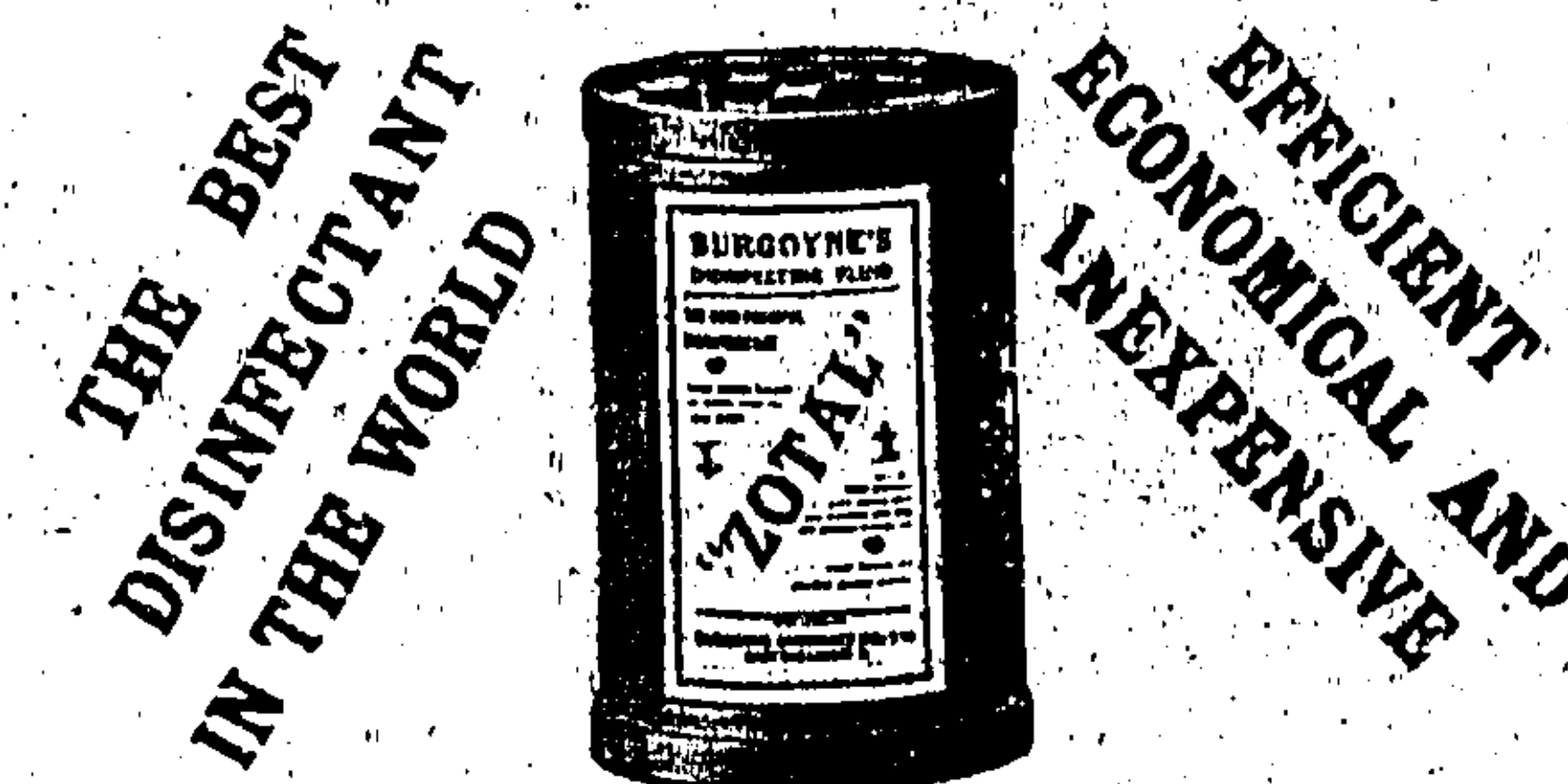
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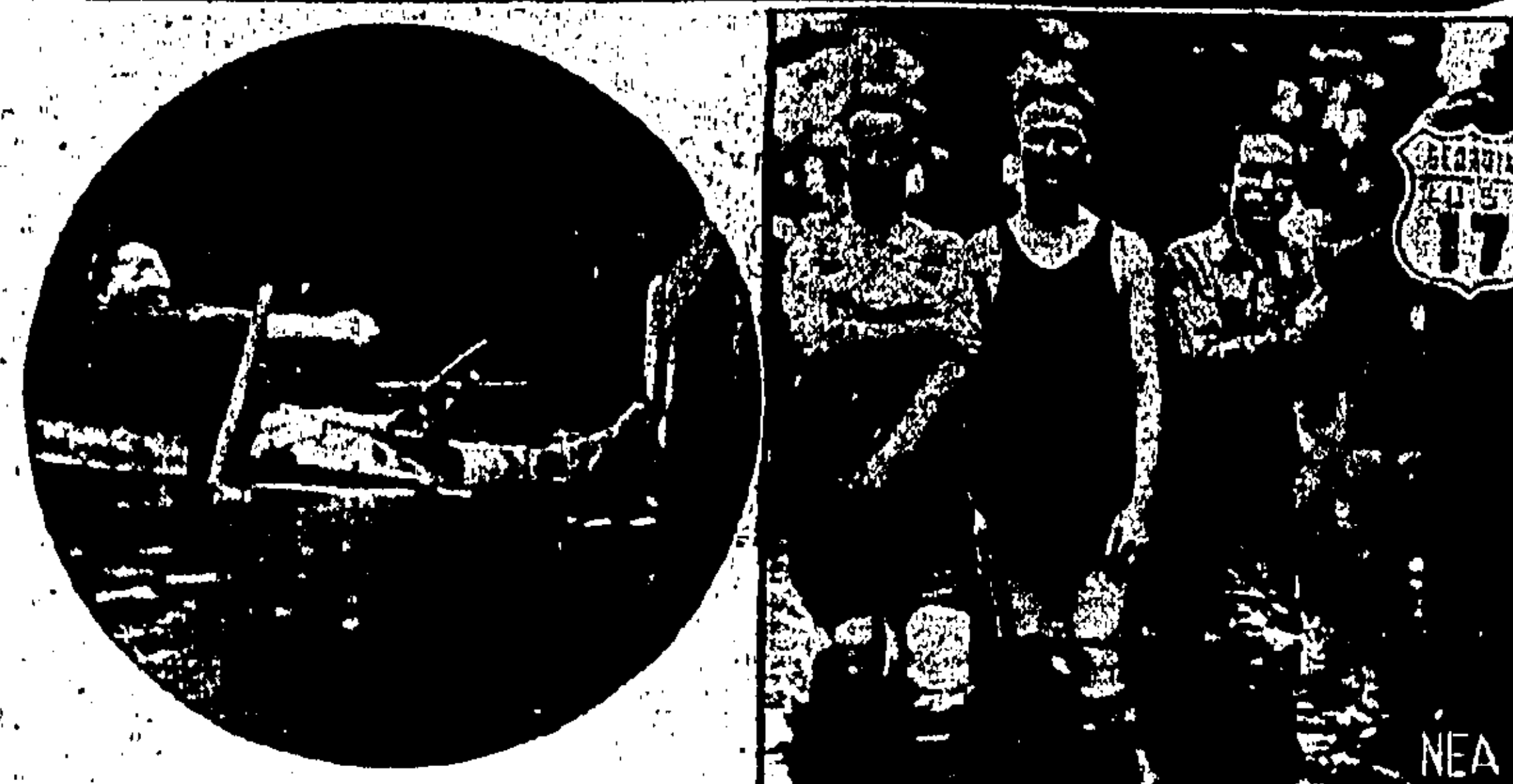


By Small





Descendant of a stone mason who left Sudbury, Su-sex, three centuries ago to escape religious persecution, the American Ambassador Dawes, recently visited the historic town as a guest. General Dawes is pictured above, left, as Mayor E. P. Fitzgerald conferred upon him the freedom of the city. Below the Ambassador is shown, in his circle, as he addressed the townspeople, stressing Anglo-American friendship.



Floods in the wake of torrential autumnal rains caused serious damage, cut off communication and imperilled many lives in parts of Georgia recently. How high waters blocked traffic on the important Coastal Highway near Savannah is shown in the picture above. In the background are relief cars which ventured as far as possible into the flood zone. Below, right, residents on the outskirts of Savannah are shown as they waded through rapidly rising waters to salvage their household effects. Below, left, is a motorist who evidently got a stall when he tried to drive his car through an inundated area.



A monument has been erected on the spot where Americans died in the daring recapture of Montfaucon from enemy hands during the War. Pictured above is the impressive ceremony when 201 members of the 37th Division of Ohio, assisted by French troops and officials, gathered to dedicate the memorial and lay the corner stones of other memorial buildings.



Photo taken after the recent Shanghai wedding when Miss Isabel Jean Morris of Craigie, Scotland, became the wife of Mr. William Charles Foster of Shanghai.



Fast on the rocks off Kill Devil Hill, N. C., the new Swedish steamer Carl Gerhard is shown above after its crew had been brought to safety in a thrilling rescue by coast guardmen. Beside the Swedish ship, at the right, is the wreck of the steamer Paraguay, wrecked two years ago at this point where many other vessels have gone aground.



Signor Mussolini the Dictator of Italy, is shown watching thousands of Italian war veterans pass in review during a recent parade in Rome. He is shown above, on the reviewing platform; below, as he waved the customary Fascist salute to the ex-service men.



Dictators of the future, perhaps! Our picture shows the two sons of Signor Mussolini, Bruno at the left, closely resembles his iron-jawed father. Vittorio, the younger, is beside him. Both are wearing Fascist black shirts.

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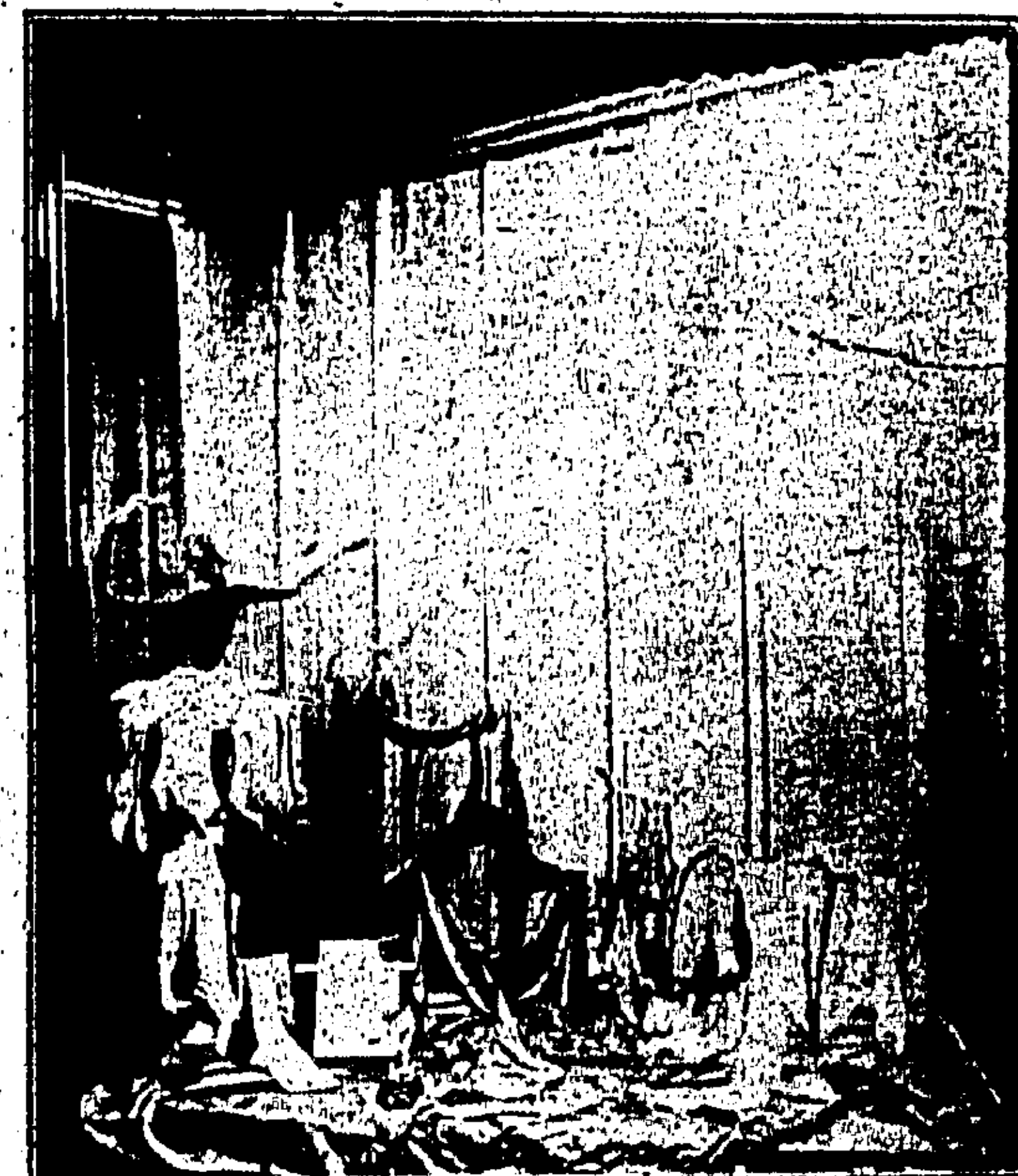
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New Advertisements

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The Government of Hong Kong are prepared to receive offers for the purchase of the Paper Making machinery and plant of the Tai Shing Paper Manufacturing Company installed in their Mill at Aberdeen.

This machinery and plant will be available for removal early in 1930, and the offers should be made either for the whole of the machinery and plant or separately as follows:—

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A deposit of \$1,000.00 must accompany each tender, to be returned after the tenders have been considered. In the case of the successful tender the deposit will be forfeited to the Crown should the Tenderers refuse or fail to complete the purchase in accordance with his tender.

A reasonable time will be allowed for dismantling and removing the machinery.

The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

Tenders, which should be marked "Paper Making Machinery" will be received at the Colonial Secretary's Office up to and including 31st December, 1929.

A Permit to view and inspect the machinery and plant may be obtained on application to the Director of Public Works after payment of the above deposit.

HAROLD T. CREASY,
Director of Public Works,
25th November, 1929.

HONGKONG DEVELOPMENT BUILDING & SAVINGS SOCIETY, LTD. (IN LIQ)

Notice is hereby given that the adjourned Meeting of Creditors will be held at the City Hall (Music Room) on Friday, the 29th November, 1929, at 2.30 p.m.

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Hongkong, 5th November, 1929.

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The New School Year begins on Tuesday, 3rd December. There will be an Entrance Examination for New Boys—Boarders and Day-boys—at 9.30 a.m. on Saturday, 30th November.

There is increased accommodation for boarders. Information may be obtained from the Warden or from Mr. Li Hoi-Tung c/o Banker & Co., Bank of China Building.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1929.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The Ninth Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 30th November, 1929, commencing at 1.30 p.m.

The first half will be rung at 1.00 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1 for all persons including Ladies.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead and Davis at \$5 each up to Friday, 29th November, 1929.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2.

Each member can obtain upon application to the Secretary Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

Bookmakers, Tie Tac Men, &c. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hongkong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

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19366/19400
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24651/24300
34301/34360
40501/40550
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NOTICE.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 2nd day of December, 1929, at 1 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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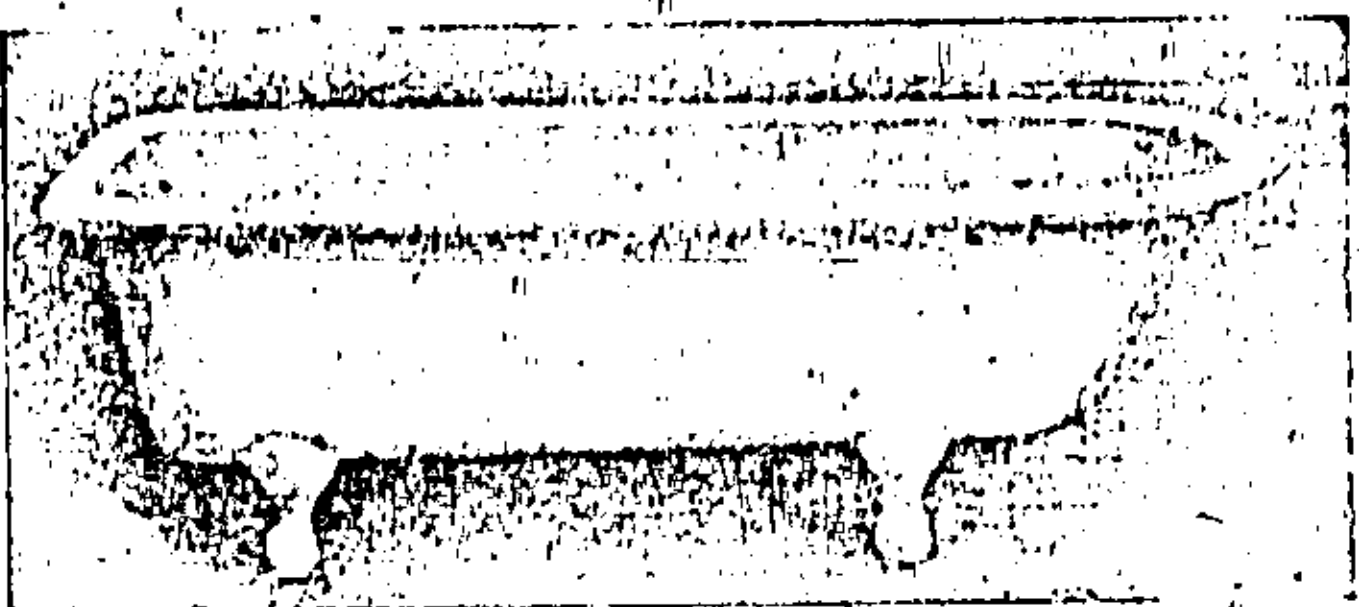
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NEW AFGHAN REGIME.

KING ISSUES PROCLAMATION OF HIS POLICY.

Peshawar, Nov. 27.
King Nadir has issued a proclamation as to the policy of the new

regime, upholding the principles of the Islamic-Hanafi law, decreeing total prohibition of alcohol, the establishment of a modern military school and arsenal, the continuance of Amanullah's foreign policy, restoration of the telegraphs, telephones and roads, and the development of foreign and commercial relations.—Reuter.

WOMAN'S WORLD

FOR OUR LADY READERS.

"Let's Be Charming."

[By Margaret Bannerman, the Actress.]

We all want to be charming. We envy charming people. We are jealous of their popularity. Very well then, why don't we all take a little trouble and acquire charm for ourselves?

It's worth while, because, acquiring charm, we acquire popularity and friendship. In fact, we get all the best out of life.

"That's all very well," I hear some disgruntled ones say. "But how can I be charming? I'm as nice as I can be, and yet I'm not a success."

Exactly. And probably the reason is not far to seek; the thing is being able to seek it! Strangely enough it is a fact that very few of us are enabled to see our own faults in order that we may correct them. We are, invariably, under the impression that we possess certain failings which we do not possess; we also believe that we have certain virtues, which, to the mind of others, are conspicuous by their absence!

Think well of Others.

If we believe that we are not charming people, and if we really and truly wish to become charming, then first of all we must find out what it is we lack.

In nine cases out of ten we lack the ability to estimate other people at their proper value. We underestimate some, and over-estimate others. To be on the safe side we should endeavour to over-estimate everyone, which, admittedly, disposes of our first possible fault.

Immediately we begin to think well of other people, we find that they possess virtues which were not obvious to us before, and realising these virtues we are additionally nice to these people. We say nice things to them—we begin to flatter them a little—and how they love it! They, on their part, find that we are infinitely nicer people than they thought!

Now we come to the next point—



Miss Hazel Fowler of Shanghai wearing one of the charming gowns in the Lucille Fashion Show at the Russian Ball. It is a Lucille Paray model of white crepe satin.

observation. To be charming we must be observant. We must notice all the little things. When Mrs. A. has a new dress we must observe the fact and compliment her on her choice of colours or dressmakers. It will make her feel very happy, and it will make her like us.

We must—If we want to be charming—not look for the faults in other people, but only for the virtues. This is a good rule. Faults are always very obvious, and we can well afford to leave these to other people to discuss. Let us look for and discuss other people's virtues.

Very soon we shall have built up around ourselves an atmosphere of "niceness" which cannot fail to react very favourably to ourselves, and soon we shall have made such a habit of being nice that it will become second nature for us to do and say the right thing.

Be Considerate.

We must consider other people all the time. And this is quite easy. It simply means that we must guard our tongues from making that little "canty" remark; we can think it if we like, but we must not say it even to our best friend. It is even better if we try not to think it! Let other people discuss the faults and failings of mutual friends, but we must make up our minds that under no circumstances will we be drawn into a discussion in which we shall show to a disadvantage.

We must keep away from the scandal-mongers. It is a terrible temptation to resist talking scandal, but the reward will make it worth while.

And lastly, but certainly not leastly, we must learn to smile.

Evening Gowns.

SIDE DRAPERIES THE VOGUE.

Side draperies for evening gowns are among the themes this year. The drapery is caught at the hip with flowers, white camellias if the gown is a white-satin one, pale pink, silver-grey, &c., according to the colour of the frock itself. The other side usually remains plain, undraped, unadorned.

The dressmakers have thought of many new ways of using these this season, placing them in diametrical opposition to one another up the skirt, allowing them to droop in exaggerated fashion at the back, or even making them wind spirally in such a fashion, that the emphasis is placed on one side.

Nothing suits chiffon so well as treatment of this character, for the diaphanous nature of the material makes the sweeping draperies look as though they are being continually fluttered in a gentle breeze when the wearer is moving.

Sometimes a graceful effect is given by the fact that the lowest drounce is pointed, and is much longer on one side. A narrow belt fixes the waistline.

The décolletées of evening gowns are, as usual, very deep at the back, and almost modest in front. The "oval" décolletée is also to the fore; this neckline admirably suits slim women.

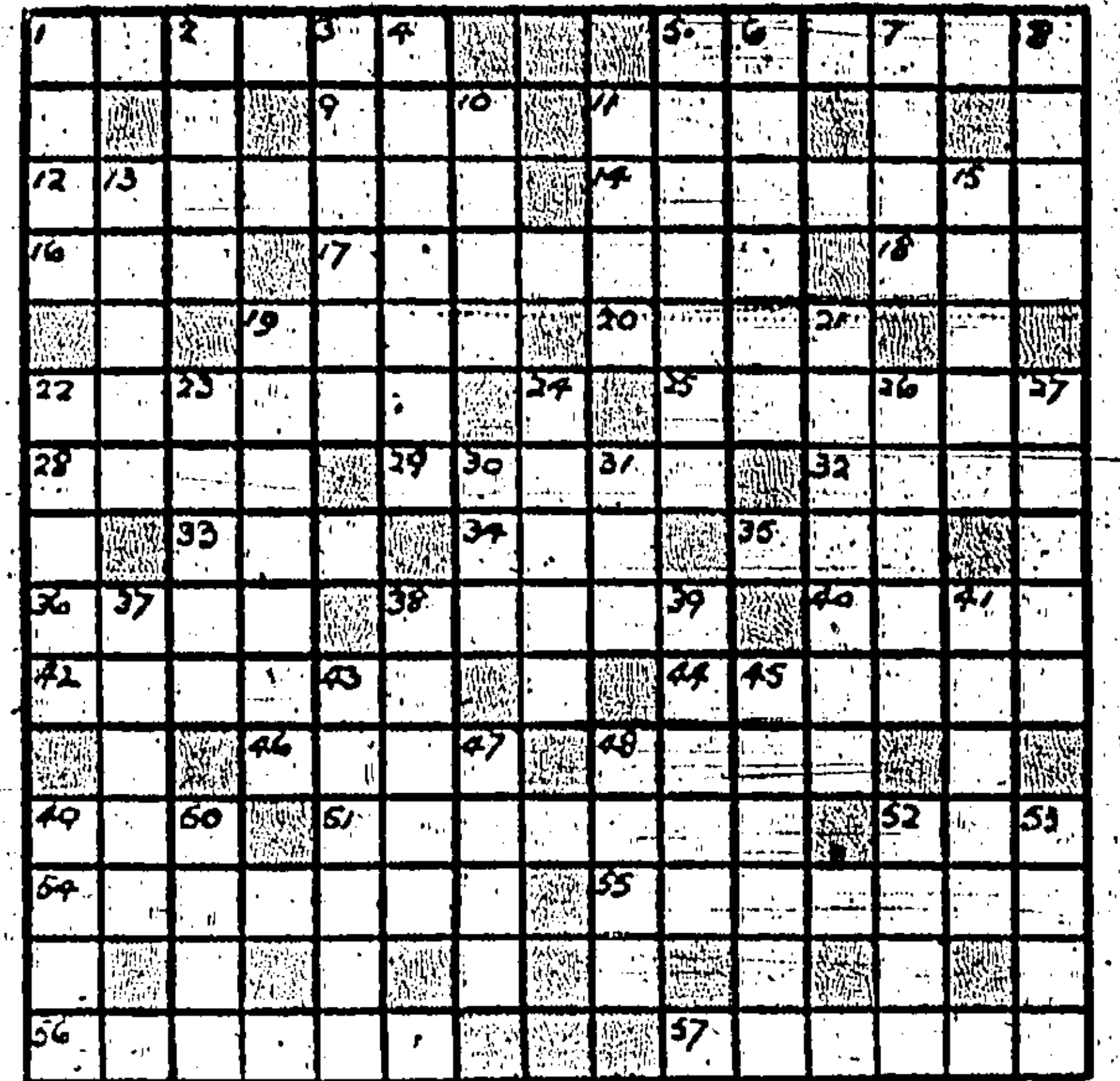
The dip at the back of skirts, which has been gradually assuming a greater importance, has become almost a peacock's tail in many of the evening gowns. It is certainly very becoming, and creates a slender line, especially if the skirt in front is hitched up a bit, and short.

Nothing makes one so popular as a perpetual smile. Let other people look miserable, and our happy faces will form a charming contrast. Smile—all the time!



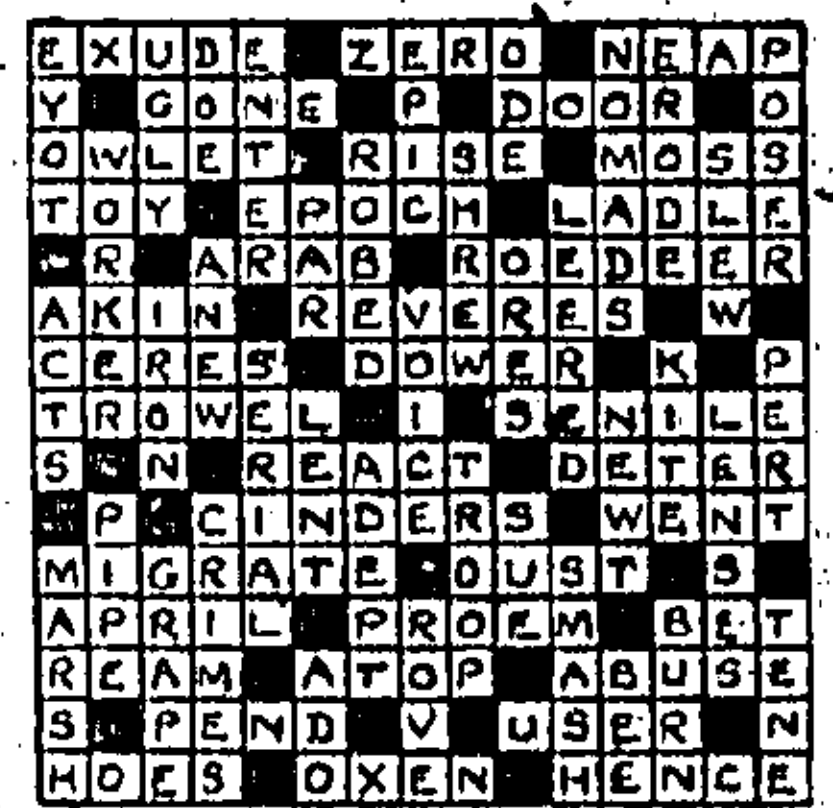
Mrs. J. A. Strijevsky smart in a green taffeta-model by Promet in the Lucille-Fashion Show at the Russian Ball, Shanghai.

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- Across
- 1 Regulate.
 - 5 Hymns.
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 - 18 Possessive pronoun.
 - 19 Observed.
 - 20 Mark made by a blow.
 - 22 Acute.
 - 25 Required.
 - 28 Skills.
 - 29 Flung.
 - 32 Uncommon.
 - 33 Capable.
 - 34 Before.
 - 35 Pitcher.
 - 36 Valley.
 - 38 Diminishes in hue.
 - 40 Units in cards.
 - 42 Gold coin.
 - 44 Stress.
 - 46 Split.
 - 48 Hautboy.
 - 49 Kind of snake.
 - 51 Allowance of food.
 - 52 Anger.
 - 54 Develops as a consequence.
 - 55 Ruled.
 - 56 Nimble.
 - 57 The pharynx.
- Down
- 1 Part of a pedestal.
 - 2 Stack.
 - 3 Place of worship.
 - 4 Little towers.
 - 5 Valuing one's self.
 - 6 Placed.
 - 7 Narrow board.
 - 8 Lye of soap and water.
 - 10 Became.
 - 11 Mimicked.
 - 13 Avid.
 - 15 Kind of duck.
 - 19 Doubt.
 - 21 Row of houses.
 - 22 Forays.
 - 23 Not fresh.
 - 24 Bulky.
 - 26 Dangle.
 - 27 One who believes there is a God.
 - 30 Field.
 - 31 Born.
 - 37 Dress protector.
 - 38 Danger.
 - 39 Kind of sword.
 - 41 Accustom.
 - 43 Medical substance.
 - 45 Somewhat reserved.
 - 47 Head-land.
 - 48 Propel boats.
 - 49 Curve.
 - 50 On top.
 - 52 Compound preposition.
 - 53 Prepare for publication.

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DEATH SENTENCE ON ELEPHANT.

CIRCUS COMPANIONS TO BE EXECUTIONERS.

New York, Oct. 15.

Black Diamond, the nine-ton performing elephant of a circus now travelling in Texas, has been condemned to death by the noose. His circus companions will be his executioners.

The sentence was pronounced as a penalty for murder.

While parading, with other circus animals, through the small town of Corsicana, Black Diamond, in a sudden rage, picked up

a woman spectator, swung her aloft, crashed her to the ground and trampled her to death before the keeper could intervene.

To-morrow, at dawn, in a sparsely settled countryside, Black Diamond is to be led from the condemned cage in which he is now confined.

Three elephants on each side of him will be hooked to each end of a chain.

In the middle of the chain will be a loop encircling Black Diamond's neck.

Then the six elephants will be started off, as if for a tug-of-war, and their guilty comrade will be strangled.

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A WORTHY WORK.

There can be few, if any, institutions in the Far East with a finer record of service for the public good than the Tung Wah Hospital, which yesterday registered a further step forward in the opening of the new branch at Soekunpoo. We fear that all too few Europeans realise the work of mercy and healing which this Chinese-managed institution does. It is very much more than a hospital, as was pointed out in the speeches at yesterday's ceremony. One of its most useful functions is the means it provides whereby the Chinese of this Colony are being trained in real social service. For close on sixty years, it has served the poor and the helpless, and in that work it has never lacked the assistance of leading members of the Chinese community who, by money and service, have done much for those of their own people who have fallen on evil days. As His Excellency has stated, it keeps wholly aloof from political activity of any kind: "Do good with all your heart," has been the inspiring motive of those who have controlled its destinies.

The movement of which the two Tung Wah Hospitals are the outward sign was initiated in a rather unusual manner. Back in the 50's, a number of compradores, merchants and shopkeepers established at Taipingshan an institution or temple known as "I-Ts'z," a place where ancestral tablets could be erected. This subsequently developed into a kind of native hospital, to which Chinese in a dying condition were taken. The idea was to provide a place where sick employees might find refuge to avoid the rites and ceremonies connected with death, and where bodies could be stored whilst awaiting removal to the mainland. The Government did not consent to its establishment, which was accidentally discovered. Then it was revealed that this institution was grossly abused, investigations disclosing the most disgusting conditions imaginable. The "I-Ts'z" was soon closed down, but the Government, realising the necessity of better hospital accommodation, took

steps which resulted in the creation of the Tung Wah. Supported entirely by voluntary contributions, the Hospital has ever since been engaged on a work which has been of immense benefit to the Colony. It has not only been a hospital, but a Poor House and a Refuge for the destitute. What was said of it more than thirty years ago can be said with even greater emphasis to-day: "It has given the sick a better chance of recovery than they could have had in their own homes. It has enabled thousands to die in comparative ease and comfort. It has contributed to the general health of the Colony by withdrawing Chinese affected by contagious or infectious diseases from their own houses in crowded tenements in narrow streets. It has promoted vaccination." To this list could be added many more evidences of the Tung Wah's work in healing and charity.

As the work and responsibilities of an institution like this extend and grow, it is obvious that the necessity for financial help increases. At present, there is especial need for an Endowment Fund, a fact which was stressed in yesterday's speeches. We have been pleased to note that in response to the recent appeals, numbers of foreign firms have come forward with liberal support for the new branch hospital, but there has now to be faced the larger question of adequate endowment of the whole movement. In a hundred and one ways, the Tung Wah serves European as well as Chinese firms, but the appeal now being made for further financial aid rests on higher grounds than that of a mere *quid pro quo*. The humanitarian instincts of all communities here should be aroused by the knowledge of what the Tung Wah does, and that, more than anything else, should suffice to bring forth needed contributions from firms and individuals alike.

Is Mr. Thomas up Against It?

Those who imagined genial Jimmy Thomas to be the possessor of a sort of fairy wand which would solve Britain's unemployment problem by the mere act of waving it, must be sadly disappointed with the extent to which he is able to report progress. The impartial observer, regarding the matter as too serious for banter perhaps, must have been impressed by the manner in which the Minister of Employment is tackling the country's most vital problem, by his insistence upon schemes offering prospect of permanent relief, and by his refusal to take opposition chaff otherwise than good-humouredly. To put the situation in a nutshell, it is clear that Mr. Thomas accepted the task well knowing that he would be up against it from the beginning, and that five months of hard labour have neither removed that impression, nor affected his confidence in his ability to overcome the obstacles. On the contrary, it is clear that Mr. Thomas is pursuing a set policy and is gaining a firmer grasp of essentials daily. It cannot be sufficiently stressed that Mr. Thomas has made no claim to be able to cure unemployment within any set period of time. To use his favourite phrase, he is "exploring all the avenues" and when the time is ripe, he will open them up. Mr. Thomas may well be challenged regarding his work at the end of twelve months. To-day, criticism of any kind must be premature. Then again, the solution does not entirely rest in the hands of Mr. Thomas. Without the active and willing co-operation of Mr. Philip Snowden, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, his prospects of success are very few. To an appreciable extent, we believe, he will get it, though in certain respects it would seem impossible that Free Trade principles and unemployment schemes can go hand in hand. The discussions with the representatives of the motor industry, for instance, hold out considerable hopes of an increase in Britain's export trade. An abolition of the horse-power tax in favour of some other revenue-producing scheme from this source, would obviously give British manufacturers a great opportunity of competing in world markets. But if Mr. Snowden has decided to abolish the McKenna Duties, there is an equal prospect of British manufacturers being forced to fight to hold their own

DAY BY DAY.

WHAT IS CELEBRITY? THE ADVANTAGE OF BEING KNOWN TO PEOPLE WHO DON'T KNOW YOU.—Chamfort.

Yesterday's return of notifiable diseases shows one Chinese case of small-pox.

Mr. G. W. May will speak on "Spiritualism and Theosophy" at the weekly public lecture of the Hongkong Lodge, the Theosophical Society, to-day at 8 p.m.

Amongst the passenger who left by the Empress of Russia yesterday were Mr. J. M. Alves, Miss E. Alves, Mr. J. A. Plummer, and members of the Shanghai Inter-Port tennis team.

A Chinese female child, aged one year, was found by the police abandoned on a vacant piece of ground, near Kwong Wah Road, yesterday, suffering from exposure. It is now being cared for by the Kwong Wah Hospital.

For sweeping a quantity of house rubbish into the street, a Chinese woman living at No. 31, Bulkeley Street, Hunghom, was fined \$4 on her appearance before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

On failing to appear before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning on a charge of causing cruelty to five pigs, a Chinese, of Shamshui, had his bail of \$25 estreated. It was stated that the case was not a serious one.

Government passengers leaving for Hong on the a.s. Rawalpindi on December 7 include Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bagley and Mr. J. S. Joyce (Prison), Mr. J. Michell and Mr. W. N. Darkin (Police), and Mr. B.C.K. Hawkins (I. & E. Dept.) and Mrs. Hawkins.

A summons taken out against the Foo Loong contractors, who were alleged, before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, to have carried out blasting operations on the Ma Tau Kok Road without having taken the necessary precautions, was adjourned for one week, the defendant denying that his firm were blasting in the vicinity.

Four men who were arrested in connexion with the armed robbery at a house in Ma Tau Kok Road, recently, were remanded by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning until Saturday morning for hearing. It was intimated that Mr. J. T. Prior was appearing for the first defendant while Mr. Arthur Covey had been instructed to represent two of the men.

A young Chinese, who was charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with throwing a stone at an Indian Constable in Pilgrim Street was given the benefit of the doubt and discharged with a caution although the complainant stated in evidence that he saw the defendant throw the stone. It was admitted that there was a crowd of people in the street with the defendant.

Upon his return to the Colony, yesterday, Li Wong, the master of the fishing junk registered as No. 4298HA, reported to the police that a fish was drowned through being knocked overboard by the sail suddenly swerving round with the wind. The incident happened near the North Nine Pins Group at 1.30 yesterday morning. A boat was lowered from the junk but no trace was found of the unfortunate man.

After several adjournments, an Indian watchman who was charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with failing to produce his book for endorsement on entering the service of the Kum Hong Knitting Factory as headwatchman, was fined \$3, it being stated that the offence was only a technical one. Mr. A. E. Hall was originally engaged by the defendant, who himself pleaded guilty this morning.

First Church of Christ, Scientist will hold the annual Thanksgiving Service this evening in the Church edifice, MacDonnell Road at 8.30 p.m. The service will be conducted in accordance with the Church Manual of The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., including suitable passages from the Bible and the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, also testimonies by Christian Scientists appropriate for the occasion. No collection is taken at this service and the public is cordially invited to attend.

In the British market, Mr. Snowden's attitude could not have been made clearer than in the reply he made on Tuesday to a question in the Commons: "yet we are inclined to believe at the moment that Mr. Snowden mostly found it impossible to resist the pleasure of keeping his opponents guessing." Like Mr. Thomas, he is not prepared at this juncture to give too much away.

MUSICAL JOTTINGS.

The Recent Discussion on Musical Criticism—Rachmaninoff's 2nd. Concerto at Last!

[By "Allegro"]

During the past fortnight there has been some correspondence in the S. C. M. Post regarding the justification for public performance of music on instruments other than those for which the music was written, or in ways other than those intended by the composers. The correspondent who submitted that there was no such justification has already engaged in a friendly newspaper discussion with me on the merits of Fleta's programme, and there is no need to go over old ground in meeting his objections to the singing of operatic excerpts on concert platforms. However, on this occasion he has gone further and set about combatting the "crazy idea that a piano can be a satisfactory artistic substitute for a full orchestra in public performance of concertos and allied works."

The point arose out of a performance at the Helena May Institute of Franck's *Variations Symphoniques* (written for piano and orchestra), with the orchestral part played on a second grand piano. This action was condemned by him as being entirely unnecessary, utterly inartistic and showing an entire want of respect and consideration for the men who invented the music which we enjoy. Such comment, passed on an artist who had taken up much time to prepare the work and had given a first-class performance, was bound to call forth rejoinders, and once again I find all my sympathies on the side of the "offending artist."

Reporter's book and pencil in hand, I sought an interview with her in order to obtain information as to why she had been guilty of this lack of respect for Franck. "As these remarks made by Mr. P. A. C. seem to lay upon your shoulders the whole of the blame attached to the performance of this work," said I, "perhaps you will be good enough to inform me why you chose it."

"I chose the *Variations Symphoniques* for several reasons," was the reply. "Firstly, because it is a masterpiece. Secondly, because I had a pianist to play the second piano part. Fourthly, because the Helena May Institute placed at my disposal a second grand piano and it was therefore an opportunity not to be missed."

"You have not had many opportunities for performing this work, then?" I asked, seating myself upon the divan. "Naturally not," was the reply. "As in a household twelve pairs of sugar-tongs are not to be found, so in a drawing-room two pianos are seldom seen. I certainly could never have offered the music-lovers of Hongkong such a performance in my own drawing-room, and without the kindness of the Helena May Institute I could never have played it here at all."

"But Mr. P. A. C. maintains that you should have deprived the Hongkong public of that pleasure rather than commit the fault of playing the work without an orchestra."

"Cesar Franck himself" has arranged for two pianos," was the reply. "He could not have thought such an arrangement inartistic."

"Your critic admits that," I said, accepting a proffered *tasse de café*. "But he says Franck did so in order that people might try them at home; also his publishers probably advised it for financial reasons."

"Have I not pointed out that two pianos in one house are as great a rarity as twelve pairs of sugar-tongs?" she replied. "If the publishers induced him to arrange the score for a second piano for home execution only, with a view to profits, they must have been poor business men."

She added that from appreciations shown since the concert, she was sure the general impression had not been that she had done something "unnecessary and inartistic."

At this, I swallowed my coffee and departed.

The Very Idea!

Twin brothers acted as a joint "best man" at a wedding which took place in London recently. Mr. T. H. Willmott, the bridegroom, was their younger brother and to obviate the difficulty of choosing either of the twins he shared the honour between them. The ring was passed from one twin to the other before being handed to the officiating clergyman.

The bride was Miss Ursula Rothery, and the marriage took place at the Presbyterian Church, Manor Road, Stoke Newington.

Both the twins claimed the time-honoured privilege of kissing the bride after the ceremony.

Mother: What's the matter, darling.
Small Daughter: Daddy hit his thumb with the hammer.
Mother: Don't cry about that. You should laugh.
Small Daughter: I did.

Mr. J. Gibbins, Socialist M.P. for West Toxteth, was the magistrate in Liverpool. Police-court recently when Dennis Kearns, 68, no settled address, was convicted of begging and sentenced to one month's imprisonment.

Kearns: Only a month! I expected and wanted six months.
Mr. Gibbins: Well, I don't mind obliging you, I will make it three months.

Kearns: Thank you, but what about my money?
Mr. Gibbins: Oh, that will be kept for you until you come out. There are no pictures where you are going.

(Travelling Londoners regard the trinitaker as the lowest form of life known to science, says a writer.)
They opened their papers in silence profound.
And none knew or cared where the others were bound.
With looks of suspicion and glances of gloom
Newcomers were grimly provided with room.
These good, honest Britishers, loyal and true,
Appeared a morose, imperturbable crew,
Regarding with frigid, unspoken disdain,
One misguided fellow who talked in the train.

The members of a certain local council were not, on the whole, well-educated men. The chairman was reading out the annual report of the Medical Officer of Health, wherein it was stated that the death-rate of the district was 12.9 per thousand.

One of the councillors, not understanding the meaning of the figures quoted, applied to the chairman for enlightenment. "Mr. Chairman," he asked, "what does 12 point 9 mean?"
"That, sir," was the reply, "means that out of every thousand of our inhabitants twelve have died and nine are at the point of death!"

WHO WAS... JOHN OAKHURST?

Gold-mining camps are not exactly strongholds of virtue and propriety. In search of the precious metal come the roughest and toughest of the earth, the miners; and after them come the slyest and the most cunning, the gamblers, to cheat the miners out of their hard-earned treasure.

Of these last was John Oakhurst, who haunted the gold settlements of California. Nothing in his appearance suggested his trade. He was a quiet-mannered man, with a thoughtful face and dreamy eyes, and studiously neat in his dress. He did not drink, nor use strong language. Indeed, he rarely felt the need of either, for his luck and skill were phenomenal, so phenomenal, in fact, that he aroused intense hostility wherever he went, and was constantly escorted to town boundaries, with emphatic instructions never to return.

It was as a result of one such expulsion that he met his death, and though his life had been despicable, John Oakhurst came to a noble end. Along with other social outcasts he was snow-bound in a mountain hut. Provisions ran short. With one fewer mouth to feed they might last out until a relief party could get through. John Oakhurst walked out into the snow, and laid himself down under a distant pine-tree, which only goes to show that the capacity for heroism is lodged in even the most worthless of men.

Bret Harte was no black-and-white moralist. He knew what mixed qualities may cohabit one human frame; hence, his portrait of John Oakhurst, the "The Outcasts of Poker Flat."

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MISHAP AFFECTS EVIDENCE.**OPIUM POTS SMASHED IN AN ACCIDENT.****CHARGES DROPPED.**

During the course of the hearing of two opium cases before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, Revenue Officer Powell intimated that opium pots which were found by the officers had been broken, and, in the absence of such evidence, he would have to accept the pleas of the defendants, who denied preparing opium.

An occupant of 135, Pei Ho Street was charged with preparing opium and with being in possession of 18 tools of prepared opium. The defendant denied the first charge but admitted the second. On the prosecution accepting his plea, a fine of \$140 or two months' hard labour in default was imposed on the second count, the first being withdrawn.

In another case two Chinese were charged with preparing opium at 110, Tai Nam Street and with being in possession of 14 tools of prepared opium.

The first defendant denied both counts but the second defendant admitted the second and denied the first.

The prosecution accepted the pleas and the first defendant was discharged while the second was fined \$100 or one month's hard labour.

Revenue Officer Powell remarked that a Chinese officer slipped on the office steps prior to coming to Court and had broken the utensils which otherwise would have been produced as evidence.

MUKDEN GIVES WAY TO SOVIET!

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developments in this direction in the first place.

U. S. Participation.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, the former Foreign Secretary, asked whether any communication had passed between the United States Government and the British Government on this subject, and whether any suggestion was made by the United States Government for common representations to Russia against the breach of the Kellogg Pact.

Mr. Henderson replied that in the early days of this matter, communications did pass and he informed the House at the time that we were prepared to participate in any joint action calculated to bring this dispute to a peaceful termination.

He thought that since then no further communication had been received but that a communication had come from another Government and if joint action could be taken we were prepared to participate.

Joint Action.

Sir Austen Chamberlain asked if Mr. Henderson would consider if it would not be proper for the Government to initiate fresh negotiations with the United States Government on the subject.

Mr. Henderson replied: "As I have intimated, we are prepared to take part in joint action. I will consider the suggestion whether we ought to initiate that action."

The whole matter was discussed, said Mr. Henderson, at this morning's meeting of the Cabinet.

Mr. Harris referred to a possible difficulty in consequence of the fact that neither Russia nor the United States were members of the League of Nations. He asked if it was not possible to adopt machinery other than that of the League of Nations.

Mr. Henderson replied: "The action I was contemplating was not an action associated with the League of Nations in the first instance, but joint action by the signatories of the Kellogg Pact who include both Russia and the United States."

Reuter and British Wireless.

No Chinese Appeal Yet.

Geneva, Nov. 27. The Chinese Government up to the present has not appealed to the League of Nations with regard to the Sino-Russian dispute, but the Chinese Minister in Berlin, General Chang Tso-pin, on instructions from the Nanking Government has sounded Governments which are members of the League of Nations Council and the Secretary-General of the League with a view to an eventual appeal to the League.

The Chinese Minister at Berne, at the request of the Minister in Berlin, conferred with Sir Eric Drummond and M. Avenol, who informed him that three courses are open to China:

(1) to convene an extraordinary session of the Council of the League as provided in a case of urgency.

(2) to submit the matter to the January session of the Council.

MODEL OF ASAMA MARU.**KOWLOON LAD'S GIFT TO N.Y.K. OFFICES.****DOCK INTERESTED.**

A remarkable model of the new N.Y.K. liner Asama Maru, which was completed yesterday, was handed to the manager of the N.Y.K., by Master Jerry Silva, of Kowloon, to-day.

The young man will be remembered as the maker of some beautiful model ships, pictures of which have appeared in the Telegraph, together with an article describing the work. His only tools are a knife and a small hatchet, and the models are made from old blocks of wood, discarded by the lad's parents.

Following the publication of the pictures in the Telegraph many prominent local people visited Mr. Silva's residence in order to see the models. Among them was Mr. R. M. Dyer, manager of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, who was so impressed with the work that he has promised to take the young lad into his office as soon as he completes his schooling. A number of the officials of the dock will visit Mr. Silva's home on Sunday next in order to see the models which so pleased Mr. Dyer.

All of the models are made to scale, pictures of the ships being the only guide the young man has to work from. The Asama Maru model is particularly well done, the tiny wooden vessel being a complete replica of the giant liner on a much smaller scale.

The N.Y.K. officials were surprised and delighted with the gift, and will display the model at their offices.

CONSERVING TIN IN MALAYA.

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not the same as the factors of 100 years ago.

However that might be in the tin industry he had every reason to believe that a scheme for rationalization would in due course, and perhaps at an early date, be proposed and made acceptable to all producers.

It seemed abundantly evident that the F.M.S. Government had already seen the folly of throwing away metal at unremunerative prices, and they, as a body of producers, must obviously hold similar views.

Mr. Brown was particularly emphatic that their friends, the Chinese miners, must in their own interests join the new movement—their more expensive mining methods could not compete with the modern dredge with tin below a certain figure, unless in very rich deposits, and the advantages of increased consumption made possible by research, and thereby better prices, must appeal to their business acumen.

He looked to a large amount of support from them not only as a body but individually, for the Tin Producers' Association.

The new Association was being welcomed by producers the world over, and its success as a recognised authority in the tin mining industry would be more fully assured if they in this country gave it their wholehearted moral support and their share of such financial backing as was necessary for its purposes.

(3) to circulate the Chinese case to all Members of the League.

Decision Awaited.

The decision of the Nanking Government regarding this advice is now awaited. Meanwhile, the Minister has emphasised China's ardent desire for pacific settlement of the dispute and her loyalty to the Covenant of the League and the Kellogg Pact.—Reuter.

Paris, Nov. 27. Mr. Kuo Lu, the Chinese Minister in Paris, called on M. Briand to-day and informed him as co-author of the Anti-War Pact of the situation that has arisen as a result of the Soviet invasion of Manchuria.—Reuter.

Dr. Wang Criticised.

Shanghai, Nov. 27. Public feeling against the Soviet invasion is running high amongst the Chinese at Nanking and Shanghai.

There is a big section of the Kuomintang officials in the National Government which blames the Foreign Ministry for the delay in opening of formal negotiations with the Soviet Government which has led to the latest affair.

The Shanghai City Kuomintang members are leaders of the movement and yesterday morning the City Kuomintang petitioned the National Government demanding the dismissal of Mr. C. T. Wang, the Foreign Minister.

INSPECTOR'S "DINKY LITTLE CAR."**CHINESE FOUND SLEEPING IN IT ON PEAK.**

Inspector Shaftain's sports two-seater figured in a case, before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Central Magistracy this morning.

A Chinese, described as being foreman of a gang of night-soil carriers, was charged with trespassing, in that he slept in Inspector Shaftain's car, which was left in an open shelter on the Peak last night. It occurred to his Worship to ask Inspector Shaftain if "it was the famous dinky little car" mentioned in a recent case.

Inspector Shaftain smilingly replied that it was. He had been much troubled by people getting into his car at night-time and sleeping there. They had also been none too careful, with the result that they had smashed the side-glass screens on three occasions by pressing their shoulders against them when sleeping. It had cost him \$30 to make good the damage.

Inspector Shaftain also complained that the people who slept in his car had also spat on it.

Inspector Logan:—The blame had been put on the police at first. We thought a policeman was taking a quiet half-hour there. The result is that I had to make visits which did not very well agree with me.

Defendant was fined \$10, or 14 days' imprisonment.

MACAO GOVERNOR.**SENHOR BARBOSA DUE HERE NEXT WEEK.**

His Excellency Senhor Barbosa, Governor of Macao, is due to arrive in Hongkong about December 3rd or 4th on his return from Home leave. He is travelling by the M.M. liner D'Artagnan.

His Excellency is expected to stay in Hongkong for about two days, and during that time he will be the guest of H.E. Sir Cecil Clementi. It is expected that on one of the afternoons during his stay in the Colony, Senhor Barbosa will be entertained to a reception at the Club Lusitano.

AMERICAN CRUISERS.**NO WORK UNTIL AFTER THE LONDON CONFERENCE.**

Washington, Nov. 27. The keels of the three cruisers whose construction was delayed by President Hoover recently, will not be laid in any event until after the Five-Power Naval Conference in London in January.—Reuter's American Service.

PALESTINE RIOTS.**NINE ARABS SENTENCED TO DEATH.**

Haifa, Nov. 27. Nine Arabs have been sentenced to death and two sentenced to fifteen years' imprisonment for murdering a Jewish family at Safed during the recent disturbances.—Reuter.



Competition for an old institution.

A BEAUTY SALON DISPUTE.**LADY EMPLOYEES WHO LEFT WITHOUT NOTICE.****JUDGMENT AGREED TO.**

Mrs. M. J. Beten, No. 2, Pratt Building, Kowloon, carrying on business at the Peninsula Hotel as the Peninsula Hotel Beauty Salon, was the plaintiff in two actions against employees which were dealt with in chambers by the Paines Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) this morning, defendants consenting to judgment.

The defendants were Miss Katie Ackerman, No. 8 Ashley Road, Kowloon, and Mrs. Clacie Forrest, No. 319, Nathan Road. Mrs. Beten alleged that she employed both defendants in the Beauty Salon under verbal agreements which provided that one month's notice must be given of intention to leave. Miss Ackerman's commencing salary was \$200 a month, subsequently increased to \$230, and Mrs. Forrest received \$100 a month.

According to Mrs. Beten's claim, on October 4 Miss Ackerman, without justification and without giving notice, left her employment and later, on the same day, without justification, induced Mrs. Forrest also to leave without first giving notice.

Plaintiff claimed from Miss Ackerman the sum of \$230 as a month's wages in lieu of notice and \$20 damages and from Mrs. Forrest, \$100 as a month's salary in lieu of notice.

Mr. F. C. E. Rendall was for Mrs. Beten, and Mr. J. M. D'Almeida Remedios defended.

Mr. Rendall told his Lordship that Miss Ackerman applied for her salary to be increased to \$250 a month and threatened to leave if her application was not granted. Mrs. Beten refused the application because Miss Ackerman was not earning so much, which could be proved by the books. Miss Ackerman left on October 4 without notice and returned later when Mrs. Forrest was engaged in attending a customer's hair and persuaded Mrs. Forrest to leave also, which she did.

Mr. Rendall further stated that Mrs. Beten had received complaints from customers regarding Miss Ackerman, and as a consequence Mrs. Beten asked her to mend her manners, otherwise she would be dismissed. Defendant, said Mr. Rendall, had since started a Beauty Salon of her own.

Mr. Remedios, in consenting to judgment, said that both defendants admitted they left their employment without notice, the whole trouble being over the question of granting a half holiday each week.

His Lordship gave judgment for Mrs. Beten on her claim with costs, ordering that the latter be paid forthwith. He further ordered that the claim be paid within three months, money to be paid to plaintiff's solicitors, with liberty to plaintiff to apply if payments were not made.

Sentence of one month's hard labour on each charge was imposed by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on a young Filipino, named Antonio Adeir, described as the captain's boy on the s.s. Kolambagan, who was charged with (1) larceny of a saxophone belonging to Mr. Ricardo B. Dizon, musician at the Peninsula Hotel, residing at 10, Granville Road, and (2) larceny of a pair of gabardine trousers, as well as two pairs of shorts, the property of another Filipino of the same address.

CHINESE BRAVERY REWARDED.**TWELVE MEDALS PRESENTED FOR RESCUE WORK.****COURAGEOUS DEEDS.**

"Bravery, humane conduct, and devotion to duty," was the keynote running through all the reports presented yesterday in connexion with the distribution of Bellini Life-Saving Medals to a number of Chinese, the majority of them seamen employed on launches, for effecting the rescue of drowning persons on various dates during the year. The function, very fittingly, was made part of the annual display given by the Fire Brigade on the compound at the Central Police Station.

There were twelve recipients of these coveted Medals and of the monetary grants that were made with them. As was to be expected, the greater number of the awards had to do with rescue incidents effected from passenger and ferry launches, one of which, from frequent association with these incidents, had come to be dubbed as the "suicide ferry."

Owing to pressure of space, we are unable to reproduce in detail the many stirring details which accompanied the official records issued in connexion with these awards. The following brief accounts will suffice to reveal the extremely hazardous circumstances in which many of the rescues were carried out:

The Silver Medal was awarded to Kwok Kam-sing and to Kong Ping-fong, both members of the crew of the s.s. Man Ying associated in the plucky rescue, at midnight on May 21 last, of a Chinese woman who attempted to commit suicide by jumping off a Yaumati ferry.

The Silver Medal was also granted to Cheng Loo and Ip Yau, seamen of the s.s. Cranley, for "humane and courageous conduct" on May 24, in effecting the rescue of a Chinese woman who had thrown herself from a Yaumati ferry in midstream. It was noted that without divesting themselves of their clothes, both men jumped into the water and rescued the woman after much effort.

The Bronze Medal was awarded to two other men, Tsang Lol, a launch hand, and Li Suen, a hawker, who effected the rescue, under hazardous circumstances, of a Chinese passenger who jumped off the Yaumati ferry launch Man Yee, on June 17th while the ferry was on the way from Hongkong to Yaumati. The act was viewed as being the more commendable on account of the fact that the rescue was effected in the dark.

Several Dives.

The Silver Medal for humane conduct and devotion to duty was awarded to a Sanitary Department coolie named Tsang Hung, employed on No. 14 Sanitary Refuse Lighter, for saving a foki from drowning, after the latter had overbalanced himself and fallen overboard. Tsang Hung had to dive in several times before he located the body of the unfortunate man in the harbour and brought it to the surface; the rescue was effected in 15 feet of water.

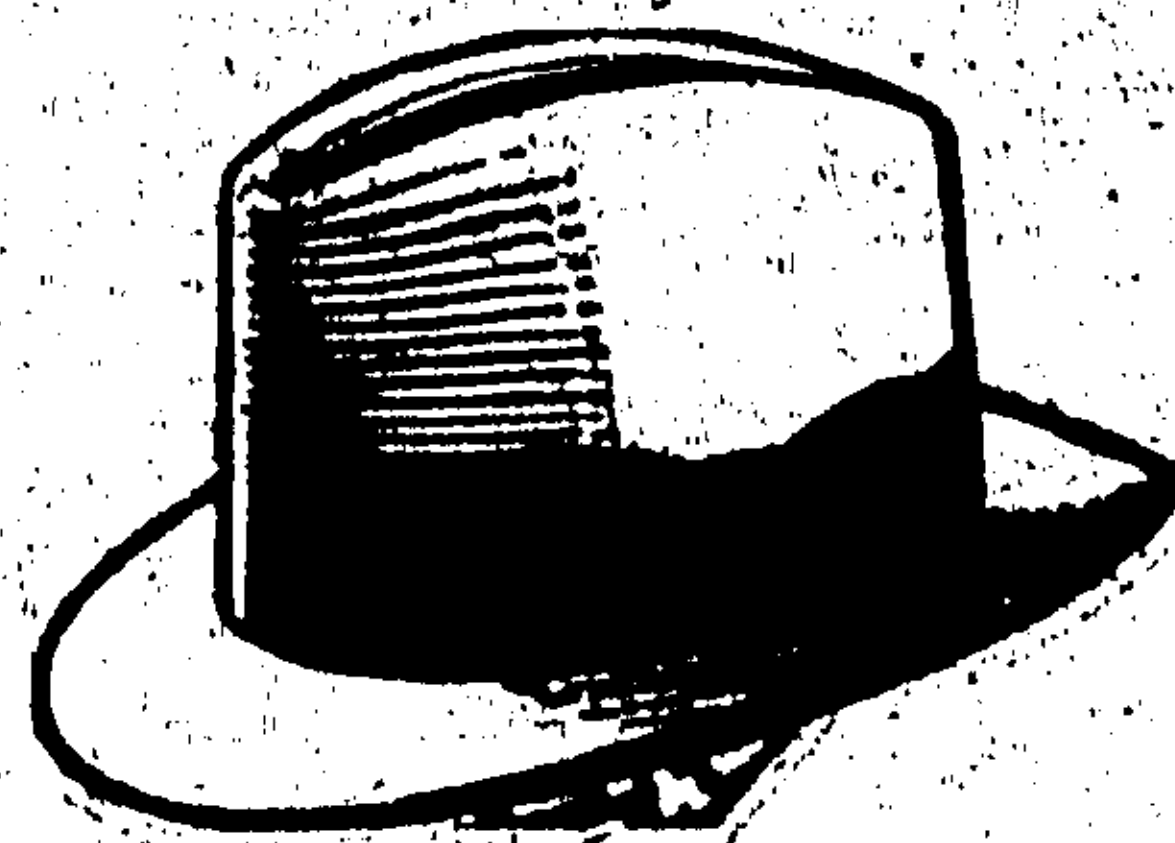
Another Sanitary Department coolie named Kwan Wing, employed on the same lighter, was awarded the Bronze Medal for assistance he rendered in the rescue work initiated by Tsang Hung.

Li Kwan, described as seaman of the Star Ferry "Solar Star," was granted a Bronze Medal for humane conduct and devotion to duty displayed in connexion with the rescue, on July 4th last, of a Chinese woman passenger, who threw herself from the top deck of the ferry boat.

Leung Fuk, a seaman of the steam launch "Sing Yuan," received a Silver Medal for humane conduct and devotion to duty in effecting the rescue of a Chinese girl, who had fallen into the harbour.

Leung Kam Tai, seaman of the Star Ferry launch "Northern Star" received the Bronze Medal for saving the life of a Chinese woman who had thrown herself over the ferry boat.

The Bronze Medal was also awarded to Au Yau, a seaman of the steam launch "Seagull," for bravery displayed in effecting the rescue of two Chinese who attempted to commit suicide together by drowning. The report of the incident states that while on the Seagull which was lying alongside the s.s. Kwong Sai, on the morning of October 29th, Au Yau heard an alarm raised that a man was in the water. Seeing a man about ten feet away from the launch, Au Yau jumped in and caught hold of him. The rope was thrown to him and was pulled to the side of the launch. At the same time he discovered that a second man was hanging on to his foot, and, after much effort, the whole party were brought out of the water.

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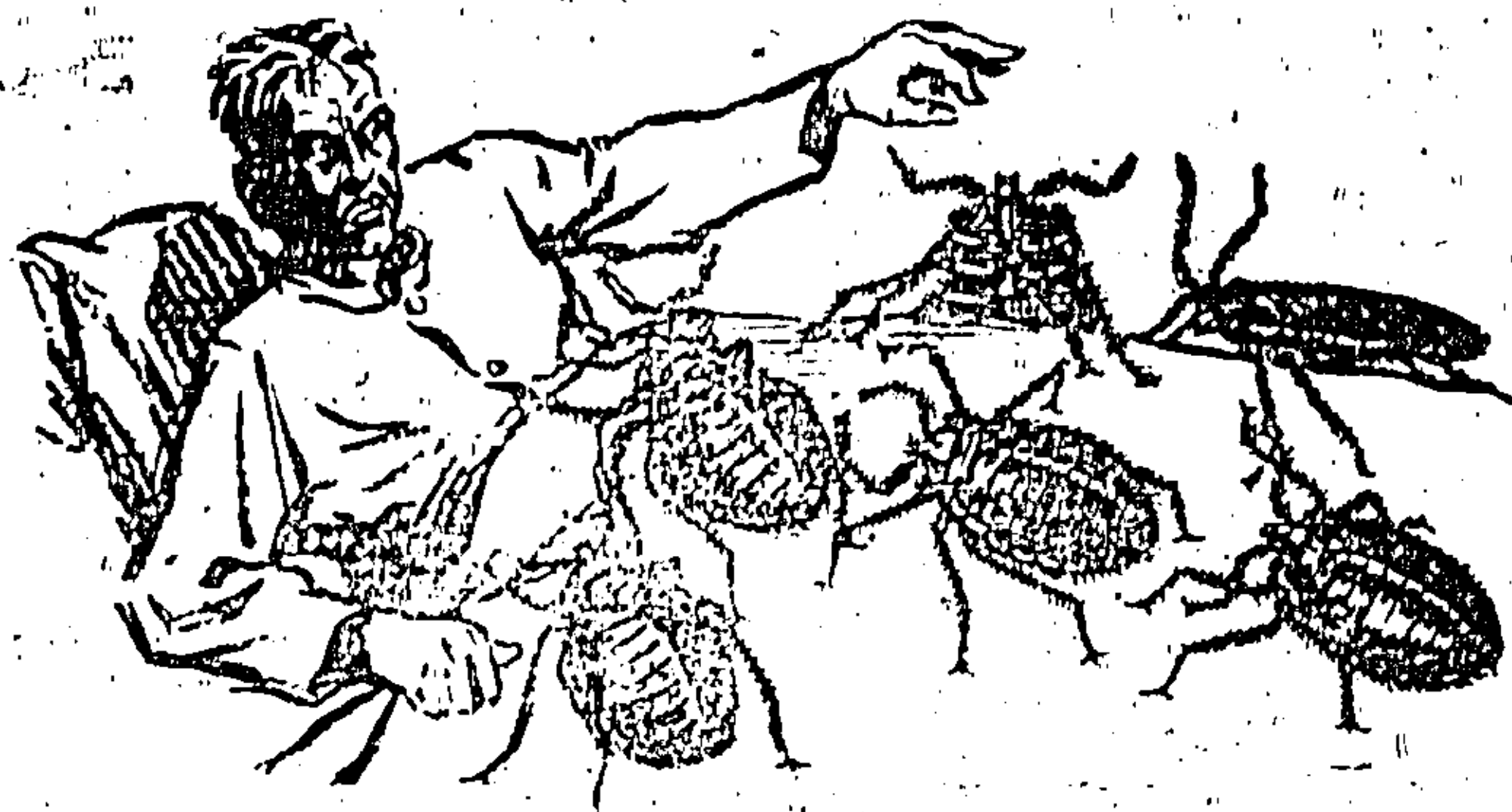
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RUGBY FOOTBALL.

CLUB DEFEATED BY H.M.S. CORNWALL.

What was "streets ahead" of any game played this season, and may probably be the best game of the year, was played yesterday afternoon, on the Club ground, before a large crowd, who were amply

rewarded with exciting minutes and breathless moments. The Club lost by a goal and a try (8 points) to two goals (10 points), but there were really not those two points in the game, which was played at a speed, and with a spirit, rarely seen in good club games at Home. Desperate marking, and fierce tackling, wonderful forward rushes against equally wonderful forwards and halves, good

runs by three-quarters, and a marvellous display by Grievess, and "no" was blown. The Club were not able to field their absolutely best side, but every one played like a hero from the first kick-off to the final whistle. Teams: Club—Grievess, Koop, Scott, Law, Day, Sutcliffe, Moodie, Burch, Riddell, Mcneary, Kendrew, Stock. Cornwall—Webb, Sayre, Boylan, Mr. Muckley, McKay, Davis, Porters, Morgan, Reach, Harris, Lord, Smith, Mr. Griffith, Knott, Lt. MacLean.

SHAMEEN FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

H.M.S. MOTH SECURE FIRST VICTORY.

Shameen, Nov. 27. H.M.S. Moth scored their first victory of the season in the Shameen Football League when they defeated the Shameen Football Team by two goals to one yesterday afternoon. Their victory is all the more astonishing when it is considered that the Moth were beaten by the Seamew 5-0, and the Shameen Football Team beat the Seamew 2-0.

However, it must be admitted that the Moth played by far the best game they have played this season, the defence being especially very steady. Nevertheless their victory was largely due to luck. Shameen were undoubtedly the superior team and kept the game almost entirely in the Moth half; only three times did the Moth attack the Shameen goal, and twice out of these three times they scored on rather lucky shots.

Duncan played a sterling game at outside right for Shameen. Within the first three minutes he very nearly scored from a difficult position, but unfortunately the ball struck the post and bounced outwards.

However, about ten minutes later he did net a beautiful shot, the ball running along the ground at an oblique angle from the right, defeating the goalie all the way. The Moth later with a very lucky shot, the ball trickling across the mouth of the Shameen goal, being misjudged by the Shameen goalkeeper who thought it was going behind; however it just struck the inside of the post and went into the goal. The Moth scored again about five minutes before half-time, another lucky goal for them. One of their forwards missed the ball with his foot, kicking it instead with his knee, the ball struck the cross bar and bounced down inside the goal, the Shameen goalie being momentarily dazzled by the sun which was straight in his eyes.

In the second half, there was no further score though Shameen made every possible effort and stormed the Moth goal time and again. Some excellent play on the part of the Moth backs, especially Wincup, at right back, saved the situation many times. The final score when the whistle blew was 2-1 in favour of H.M.S. Moth. The teams were: H.M.S. Moth—Cleverly, Wincup, Dewey, Freeman, Denstone, Gold, Shawyer, Bates, Biles, Morey and Bennett.

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KOWLOON GOLF CLUB.

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS ON SUNDAY.

The following is the draw for the qualifying round of the Junior Championship of the Kowloon Golf Club to be played on Sunday.

9.30	F. E. Skinner and B. S. Rogers.
9.34	G. Castle and W. Orchard.
9.38	C. G. Anderson and A. Laughlin.
9.42	A. A. Dand and E. R. Price.
9.46	J. S. Smith and W. Mills.
9.50	F. W. T. Ross and W. Borrowsman.
9.54	G. L. Harris and J. B. McCaw.
9.58	H. J. Fountain and E. O. Murphy.
10.02	E. G. Sewell and H. G. Swinburne.
10.06	T. J. Price, R. Dean and H. Mundy.

LADIES' HOCKEY.

There will be an inter-club match on Saturday, 30th November, at King's Park; bully-off at 4 p.m. The teams are as follows: Colours.—G. E. Little, P. Carter, J. Smalley, M. Russell, E. O'Hagan, M. Bird, S. Browning, A. T. Cressey, N. McNeillie, F. Webber, A. Steel.

Whites.—J. Luck, E. Tasartes, J. Brown, M. King, E. J. Coppin, E. Taylor, A. E. Steele, J. L. Whyte, E. R. Bell, E. Blackburn, B. Luing.

K.O.S.B. GYMKHANA.

Much interest is being centred in the K.O.S.B. Gymkhana which is to be held at the Kwai Tung course on Sunday. The programme will start at 2.30 p.m. Special trains will be run as follows:—From Kowloon at 1 p.m., arriving at 1.35 p.m.; from Fanling at 6.27 p.m., arriving at Kowloon at 7 p.m. The return fare will be \$1.40 first-class and 90 cents second-class.

LOCAL HOCKEY.

RECREIO DEFEAT THE Y.M.C.A. IN FAST GAME.

At King's Park yesterday, a hockey team representing the Club de Recreio met and defeated by three goals to two, the Y.M.C.A. first eleven in a fast and well-fought match.

For the first ten minutes after the start the Y.M.C.A. pressed hard and gave the Recreio defence a bristling time, but no score was registered.

Afterwards, however, the Recreio rallied and succeeded in scoring three goals, all being netted by Lopes. In the closing stages, the Y.M.C.A. developed a stronger attack and succeeded in reducing the lead with two goals, these being secured by Ashton and J. Price. Both sets of forwards were on the verge of scoring goals in the last few minutes, but the goal-keepers maintained their citadels intact.

Club v Navy.

The U.S.R.C. ground was the scene of a keen game between the Hongkong Hockey Club and the Navy yesterday, when the teams shared eight goals equally. There was very little to choose between the sides, and although the Navy were faster the Club nullified this advantage by superior stick work. Both sets of forwards indulged in clever movements, and although the defences were liable to falter under heavy pressure, they put up quite a fair exhibition.

By seizing all their opportunities, the Club succeeded in obtaining a 3-1 lead at the interval, but the Navy responded well, and were soon on level terms, and then gained the lead up to the last minute, when a scramble following a "free" saw the home team obtain the last point, to share the honours.

Lieut. Smallwood put up a splendid display at outside left for the naval men, and scored three goals, whilst Lieut. Stevenson was responsible for the fourth. Those who netted for the Club were Divitt (3) and Skipp.

Recreio Team to Meet Club.

The following will represent Club de Recreio in a hockey match against the Hongkong Hockey Club on Friday, at 5 p.m.—H. A. Barros, E. P. Souza, D. C. Alves, F. A. Barros, C. A. Basto, F. V. Ribeiro, J. A. de V. Soares, A. M. Xavier, A. P. Eden Silva, J. de Figueiredo, F. J. Remedios.

LEAGUE FOOTBALL.

BORDERERS DEFEAT THE R.A.M.C.

Playing at Seokunpo in their return league game, the K.O.S.B. defeated the R.A.M.C. by five goals to nil. The previous game between these teams ended in favour of the K.O.S.B. by five goals to one. Stevens was in scoring mood, and completed the hat-trick in the first fifteen minutes of the game. Barham sent in a shot from thirty yards and the flight of the ball deceived McGowan and entered the net near the upright to give the K.O.S.B. their fourth goal.

Stevens got his head to the ball from a free kick taken by Budd and the ball entered the net. Halftime: K.O.S.B. 5, R.A.M.C. 0. Aided ten players only, and throughout the second half they played short-handed. McAnland failed to turn out.

Although the K.O.S.B. pressed continually throughout, they failed to add to their half time score. McGowan was in good form in the R.A.M.C. goal and saved his side from a heavier defeat.

R.A. v Somerset.

Last minute arrangements were made for this match to be played on the Kowloon F.C. ground. The Somerset and Recreio were on the Chatham Road ground before 2.30 p.m. awaiting the arrival of the R.A. but up to 3 p.m. only four of the Gunners, from Lyemum, had put in an appearance. It was learnt later by telephone that owing to the late return to Camp from training, it was not possible for the rest of the team to get in from Tai Lam. The referee therefore declared the match off after having been on the ground for just an hour.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is now central over Korea and has increased slightly in intensity. Fresh monsoon will prevail along the southern coast of China and over the Northern China Sea. The forecast (11) noon to-morrow is:—N.E. winds, fresh; fine.

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MUSICAL JOTTING.

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parisons with the violin version are bound to be unsatisfactory to the fiddler. But this does not mean that all "arrangements" should be condemned. As one correspondent, C.B., stated in his letter, even "the great composers themselves do not hesitate, if the case warrants, to arrange music.... Brahms has dared to arrange a Gavotte of Gluck for the piano." P.A.C. is apparently out to condemn all arrangements as being utterly indistinct and showing lack of respect. Brahms is at fault, then, and the above-mentioned lady artist may at any rate derive comfort from the fact that she has erred in good company. Among those guilty of "arranging" works written by others will be found: Grieg, Liszt, Debussy, Brahms, Gounod, Stanford, Bachman, Rachmaninoff, Godowsky, Grainger, Pauer, Dohnanyi, Chailifne, Kreisler, Elman, Joachim, Sarasat, Thibaud, Sir Henry Wood, Landon Ronald, Stokowski and many famous conductors; and the list could be greatly augmented.

In one of the press letters this week, A.P.C. was described as standing with his back to the wall, and lest the above remarks be interpreted as an attempt to catch him through it, it must be emphasized that our disagreement is only concerned with the just reaction for "arrangements." I have no alliance, with the adversary who accused him of aimless destructive criticism, and of being biased by the colour of an artist's dress. When P.A.C. writes a criticism of a concert, one may be certain that it will be well-informed, fair, enthusiastic or ventrally critical, and always entertaining. Any local artist might benefit by observing P.A.C.'s sincere remarks about his or her performance. He is expected to write a real critique, not a panegyric of praise about every player whether he is good, bad or indifferent. I do not see how any fault can be found with P.A.C. for summing up the good and bad points of a performance; that is his job. Where we differ is when he indulges his personal tastes and expects others to conform to them, e.g., "I regret that Mrs. So-and-so sang 'Two Sea Songs' it would have pleased me more if she'd given us 'Three Songs of the Land'." Or, "What a thousand pities Mr.

Thingummy played the Schubert in C; why not have given us the Dvorak in D or the Brahms in B?" So long as an artist does not stoop to the piffle McCormack gives us on records, why worry?

At last Rachmaninoff's C minor Concerto for Piano and Orchestra has been recorded complete! Music-lovers have waited for this year after year, and it has been one of the most extraordinary lapses on the part of the recording companies that this, one of the most popular concertos ever written, should have been left until those of Beethoven, Schumann, Grieg, Liszt, and others had been available for years. About six years ago two movements of it were recorded by Victor before electrical processes rendered these discs obsolete. These old records of mine are now completely worn out with constant playing.

There was an article on the genius of Rachmaninoff, published in *The Gramophone* some months ago. The writer pointed out that this gifted pianist had composed 2 symphonies, 3 symphonic poems, 2 big choral works, church music, 2 masses, a trio, 2 piano sonatas, a solo sonata, 2 suites for 2 pianos, some 60 piano pieces and about 80 songs. The amount of all this that has been recorded by H.M.V., Columbia and Parlophone consists of some half-dozen piano-concerto discs and a few songs! He went on to say: "The most glaring omission is the beautiful *Second Concerto*, which enjoys universal popularity and which is one of the finest examples of this form. Indeed, taking into consideration its perfect unity of form and matter, it would not be too much to say that it is the finest piano concerto in existence. The piano forms an integral part of the whole, instead of playing a role of prima-donna-like isolation from the rest of the work. Neither does it enter into a sort of pugilistic combat with the orchestra, but dovetails sympathetically into the general tissue of the work. The ideas are so poetic, the writing is so rich and glowing, the orchestration has such vivid colouring and the whole work is permeated by such an apt dramatic instinct that the omission to record it is one of the wonders of the gramophone world.... No work would meet with a warmer reception from gramophone enthusiasts."

Next month a correspondent wrote: "My thanks to Mr. Holt

for his excellent article on Rachmaninoff. In successive years we have been battered by Beethoven and saturated with Schubert, now set the recording companies turn their attention to this most neglected composer."

Later, another wrote: "Mr. Holt... draws attention to the non-recording of the *Second Concerto* which he rightly describes as 'the finest in existence.' During the past three years nearly a dozen P. F. concertos have been issued, yet for some reason we are still looking forward to the recording of the most popular work of its kind."

Well, I have arrived! Rachmaninoff himself is the soloist, and the orchestra is the Philadelphia, the finest in the world. Victor have published it in an album, and the five discs cost about \$27. I recommend these records as wholeheartedly as I have ever recommended any before. There are only a few sets and those interested should ask Moutrie's or Frank Fook's about them at once. If any enthusiast would like the music, with which to follow the records, I should be pleased to lend the copy.

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RONALD COLMAN.

IMMENSE IN COMEDY THRILLER.

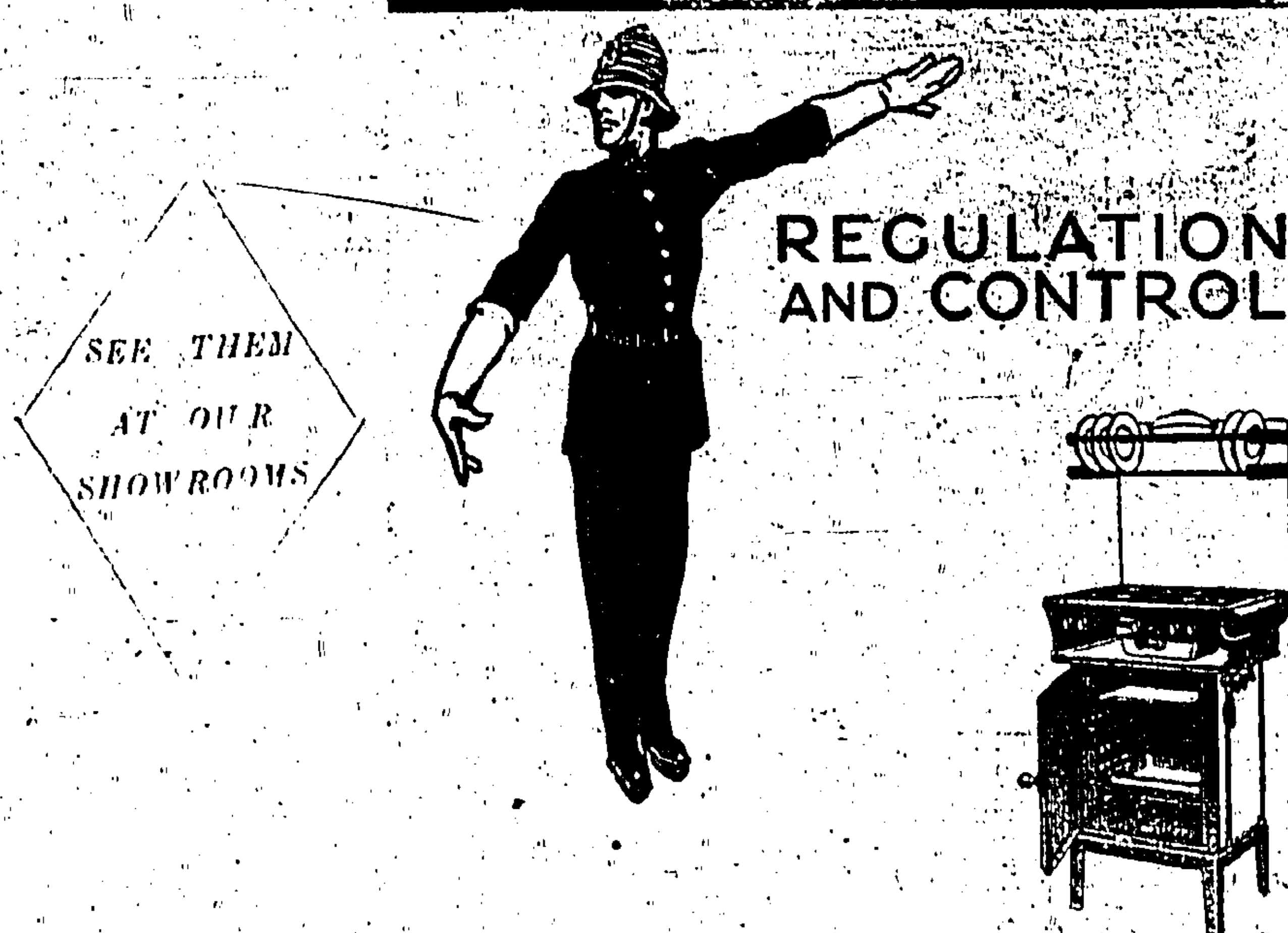
Ronald Colman comes into his own to-day as the hero of a dashing comedy melodrama at the Queen's Theatre in a creepy, spine-curdling, picturization of the famous "Bulldog Drummond". The handsome Samuel Goldwyn star whose serious love-making has made him a national figure has lost none of his sense of romantic appeal, but to it he has added a genuine feeling for comedy which results in there being just the right mixture of thrills and laughter in the picture.

The movie public has learned to expect that Samuel Goldwyn will produce pictures mounted beautifully down to the last detail. But "Bulldog Drummond" goes the past Goldwyn productions one better in making the settings as important a part of the picture as the plot. Breeding shadows, weird camera angles, sinister shafts to walls and staircases, lighting that makes faces eerie, all add tremendously to the horror of the devilry of the criminals who specialize in torturing their victims under cover of a fake snitter.

Joan Bennett, appearing for the first time on the screen, is shortly going to be a prime candidate for the title of the loveliest blonde in pictures, from the evidence of her work as Phyllis, Bulldog Drummond's lady love. The horrifying effects of such faces as Montagu Love's and Lawrence Grant's under the superb lighting of the picture, coupled with excellent performances by both men, make the criminal gang something to have nightmares about. Lilyan Tashman, as the shinky adventuress, gives one of her superbly fine pieces of work and Claude Allister and Wilson Bengaly support Colman in the comedy relief.

The plot of "Bulldog Drummond" fairly gallops along. From the moment Drummond decides to "over Phyllis" mysterious letter until the final close-up in the Mystery House, the action steps on its own heels in a rush which nevertheless leaves the development much clearer than is usual in mystery thrillers. F. Richard Jones, the man who made "The Gaucho" for Douglas Fairbanks, has knit the whole into a breathless picture as ever flashed across the screen.

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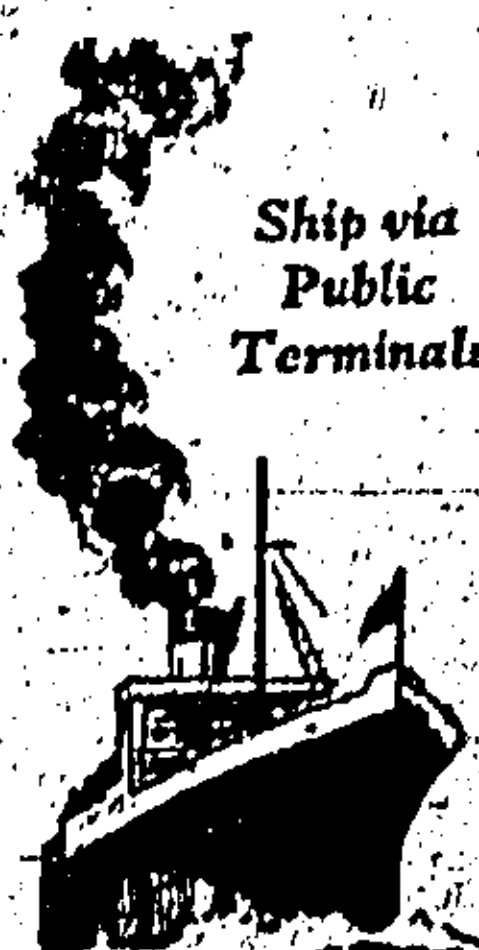
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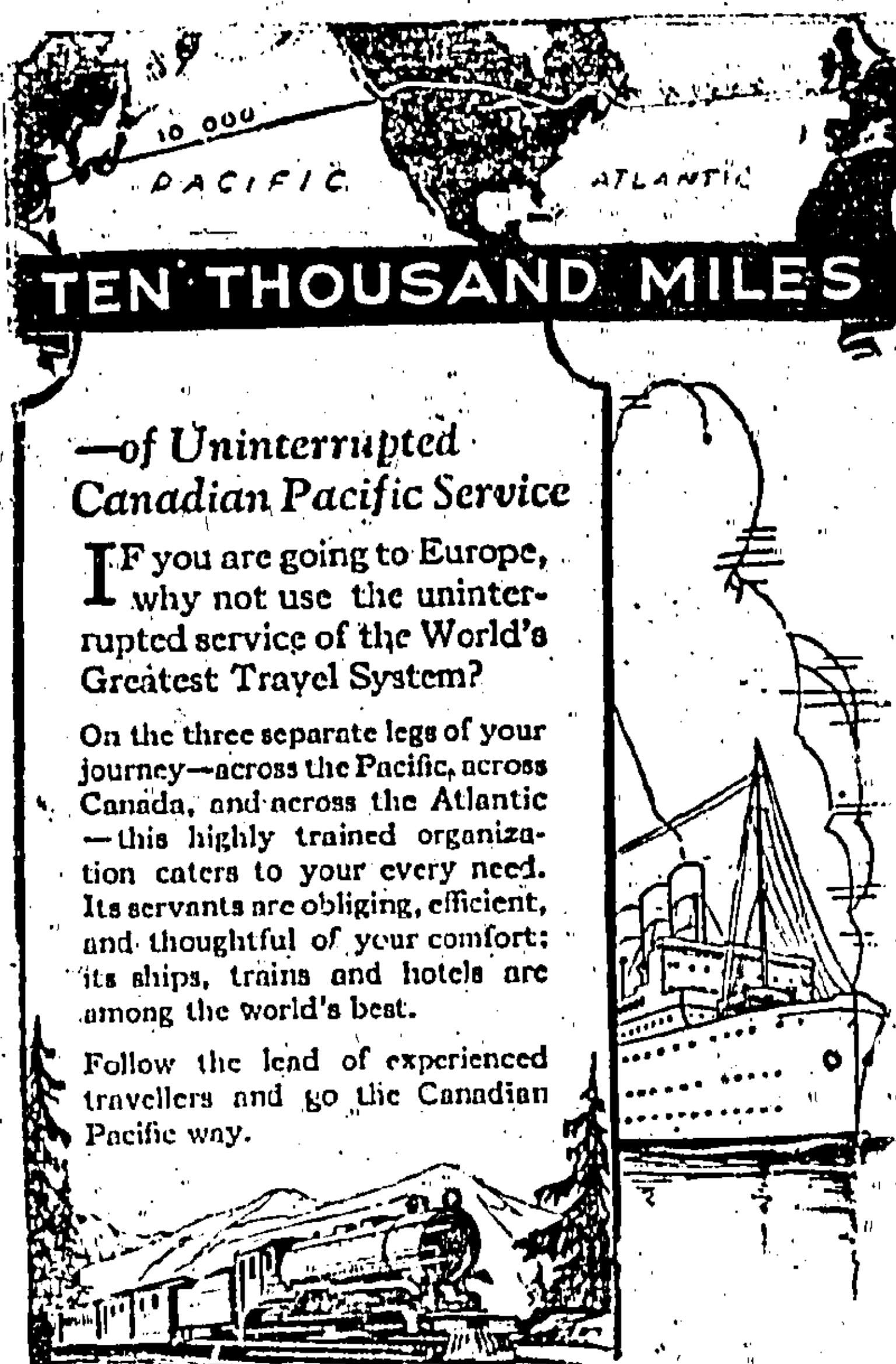


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TELEVISION BROADCAST ARRANGEMENT.

London, Nov. 27. Wireless matters were discussed during the debate in the House of Commons last night.

The Postmaster General, Mr. Lees Smith, said he had no intention of changing the system of licensing private stations for receiving broadcast programmes. The number of licences at present issued for broadcasting sets was 2,869, 000. This number was increasing, and it was expected that a figure of three million would be reached before long.

Questions had been raised as to how the Broadcasting Corporation proposed to finance the new high-power regional stations which, when completed, will make alternative programmes available to listeners on the simplest receiving sets. The answer was that they had considerable reserves out of which they could finance these stations.

With regard to television, he said that they had come to an agreement to allow the Baird Television Company the right to use broadcast stations for half an hour daily for five days each week, out of broadcast hours.

Mr. Lees Smith said that the trans-Atlantic wireless telephone service was steadily progressing. It was proposed very shortly to introduce another long wave and another short wave channel of communication, making altogether five channels from Rugby wireless telegraph station.

The question of whether fees could be further reduced was under consideration.—*British Wireless.*

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Paris, Nov. 27. M. De Martel, the French Minister at Peking, has been appointed Ambassador to Japan.—*Reuter.*

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"Cavalleria Rusticana—Intermezzo." (Mascagni), Milan Symphony Orchestra.

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Layton and Johnsons with Piano. "Rhapsodie No. 2 Part 1 and 2." (Liszt, arr. Willoughby), J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.

"Quartet in F Major." (Haydn, Op. 3, No. 5), Part 1. First movement—Presto. Part 2. Second movement—Andante Cantabile.

"Quartet in F Major." (Haydn, Op. 3, No. 5), Part 3. Third movement—Menuetto.

"Quartet in F Major." (Haydn, Op. 3, No. 5), Part 4. Fourth movement—Scherzando.

"The Meanderings of Monty. No. 20." (Milton Hayes), Monty attends a Board Meeting—Part 1 and 2.

"Tales from the Vienna Woods." (J. Strauss), Bruno Walter and Symphony Orchestra. "Schubertiana—Part 1, 2, 3, and 4." (Schubert, arr. Herman Finck), Herman Finck and His Orchestra. 6.45 p.m. Mr. P. J. Chancy will give a short lecture on "The Greatest Gold Rush of Modern Years."

7.45 p.m. Weather report. 9.00 p.m. Chinese programme. 10.30 p.m. Close down.

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ACTIVITIES OF GANG OF TEN ARMED MEN.

The police have received a report regarding two armed robberies perpetrated by a gang of ten men at Mong Chang Village, Pingshan District, on Tuesday night, the robbers ransacking one house after the other in a space of a few hours.

A man named Tung Luk, living in an unnumbered house in Mong Chang Village, has reported that ten men broke into his house at 11.30 p.m. on Tuesday, armed with rifles and revolvers, and made him get under the bed while they searched the house.

After remaining for about half an hour, the robbers went away taking with them \$120 in cash, which was hidden in a pillow, two single-barrelled shot-guns, worth \$60, and other property.

Subsequently, the robbers entered another house, and after intimidating the occupants, escaped with property valued at \$630, including a diamond ring. They were in the house for only ten minutes, and left hurriedly on hearing shots from the village.

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OPIUM-SMOKING IN HONGKONG.

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hospitals in the Colony only 129 persons suffering from chronic poisoning from organic substances including opium and morphine.

Position Summarised.

12. The position generally may perhaps be summarised by saying that the sales of Government opium have in recent years shown a substantial diminution and are now almost at their lowest ebb.

It is believed that if there were a complete cessation of the sale of Government opium or if such sales were curtailed to any extent, this would merely be met by a more extensive smuggling of opium which would prove impossible to control however much the force of revenue officers might be increased, and the difficulties of the present position would be aggravated and all control be lost.

Opium cannot be kept out of the Colony so long as unlimited supplies are available in China, and it is believed that the control on consumption is as effective as it can possibly be made in the extraordinarily difficult circumstances which prevail.

The population in general does not appear to suffer to any marked extent from its use of opium.

EFFECT TO OBLIGATIONS.

Measures Taken by Government of the Colony.

The measures taken by the Government of Hongkong to give effect to the obligations undertaken in Chapter II of the Hague Opium Convention of 1912 and in the Geneva Opium Agreement of February 1925.

1. The measures taken by the Government of Hongkong to give effect to the above mentioned obligations are, in the belief of the Government, the best which can be adopted until, in the words of Article II of the Protocol to the Geneva Agreement, "the poppy-growing countries have ensured the effective execution of the necessary measures to prevent the exportation of raw opium from their territories from constituting a serious obstacle to the reduction of consumption in the countries where the use of prepared opium is temporarily authorised."

There is no poppy-growing within the territory of the Colony.

2. The importation, sale and distribution of opium is a monopoly of the Government and the right to import, sell or distribute opium is not leased, accorded or delegated to any persons whatsoever, save as regards the retail distribution hereafter mentioned.

3. The right of preparing opium for sale is also a Government monopoly.

4. Sales of Government opium are permitted to be made only by persons licensed by the Government, who are paid fixed salaries and receive no commission on sales.

5. Sale of opium to minors is prohibited by Regulation made by the Governor in Council on the 28th September, 1925.

6. The keeping of opium divans and the smoking of opium therein is prohibited by section 15 of the Opium Ordinance, 1923, and, though the enforcement of the provisions of this section has been somewhat

relaxed for reasons stated elsewhere in this memorandum, drastic action would be taken if it became known to the authorities that any minor frequented a divan.

Seventy Licences.

7. Though there is a great demand for licences to sell Government Opium the number of retail shops licensed for the whole Colony is now seventy, these being distributed as under:—

The island of Hongkong 30
Kowloon Urban area 22
New Territory and country districts 18

8. The purchase and sale of "dross," otherwise than by the Government monopoly, is prohibited by Regulation made by the Governor in Council on the 28th September, 1925.

9. The export of raw opium from and its transit through or transshipment in the Colony is governed by the provisions of section 4 of the Opium Ordinance, 1923, as amended by Ordinance No. 7 of 1924, and sub-section 4 of that section calls for the production of an import certificate, issued by the Government of the importing country, as required by Article 6 (3) of the Geneva Convention.

In the case of opium destined for Macao a further precaution is provided in the prohibition of issue of the export permit without the express authority of the Governor.

Section 20 of the Opium Ordinance, 1923, totally prohibits the export of prepared opium, save as to a small quantity in the personal possession of a passenger which is allowed for his consumption during the voyage.

10. The use of opium is denounced in the schools of the Colony and pupils are warned against it.

In view of the illiteracy of the labouring classes the Government considers that there would be little to be gained by the dissemination of admonitory literature.

Drastic Penalties.

11. The Government has always been willing to give its utmost assistance to other Governments in the suppression of illicit traffic and, when consulted, has given all available information.

12. By section 38 (1) of the Opium Ordinance, 1923, every person who in the Colony aids, abets, counsels or procures the commission in any place outside the Colony of any offence punishable under the provisions of any corresponding law (vide definition in section 2 (2) in force in that place or does any act preparatory to, or in furtherance of, any act (wherever it be committed) which if committed in the Colony would constitute an offence against the Ordinance is made guilty of an offence against the Ordinance and is punishable accordingly.

13. The penalties imposed by the Opium Ordinance for the more serious infringements of the law are exceedingly drastic.

Fines can for certain offences be imposed up to \$5,000.00 coupled with imprisonment for one year, and, where specific penalties are not imposed for breaches of particular sections, a fine of \$2,000.00 or ten times the value of the opium seized, whichever fine may be greater, can be imposed in addition to imprisonment.

Under these provisions fines up to \$50,000.00 have been imposed and a fine of \$10,000.00 is not unusual.

The Government, moreover, in suitable cases, exercises its powers

PRISONER'S DEATH.

WHILST SERVING TWELVE MONTHS' SENTENCE.

Major Willson conducted an enquiry at the Central Magistracy yesterday, into the circumstances surrounding the death of Yu Chong, aged 28, which occurred early Wednesday morning in the Prison Hospital whilst the man was under a sentence of 12 months' imprisonment for breach of a banishment order.

Dr. Cannon (Prison Medical Officer) said that the man first came under his notice in September, 1929, whilst he was serving a previous sentence, and he subsequently passed him as unfit for birching. Four days later, he decided to admit the deceased to the prison hospital, in fact he was there during the whole time of his previous conviction.

On November 13th, he notified the Superintendent of Prisons that "the man may not live more than three weeks," and he died within a week, in spite of all possible treatment.

As on previous occasions, the diagnosis proved to be tuberculosis, which had then become generalized, and the subsequent post mortem sustained this diagnosis. During the deceased's last sentence, witness notified the Governor of the prisoner's serious condition and it was decided not to part with him.

Assistant Chief-Warder A. Calvert said that deceased was convicted on September 17th for a breach of the banishment order and was sentenced to six months' and 24 strokes; if he was unfit for birching another term of six months' imprisonment to be added.

The Coroner returned a verdict of death from natural causes in accordance with the medical evidence.

In that behalf and banishes offenders. 606 persons were banished in 1927 for offences relative to opium.

14. A good grade of opium is sold by the Government at the very high price of \$14.50 per tael and severe penalties are visited on all those who are found to be trafficking in or using other opium.

Limited Registration.

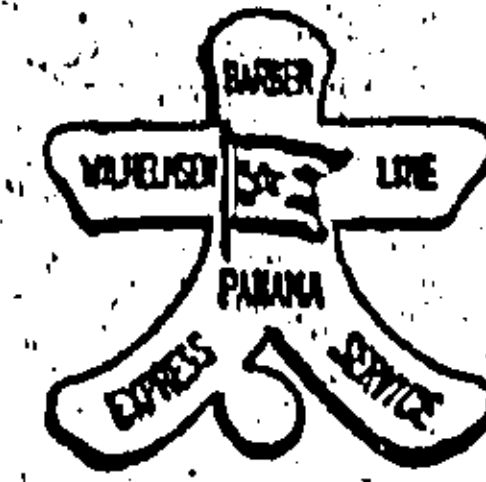
A special grade of matured Indian opium, known as "Kam Shan Opium," is sold in three taels this only at \$50.00 per tin—\$16.66 per tael.

This grade is sold only at the office of the Imports and Exports Department and sales are made only to known and reputable Chinese merchants resident in Hongkong and the opium is for their own personal consumption only.

Towards the end of the last decade there was a great demand for opium in Canton and this grade of opium was particularly in demand.

In order to prevent smuggling from Hongkong to Canton the Government instituted a system of registration of the users of "Kam Shan Opium" and issued to them pass books wherein their purchases up to stated monthly requirements are recorded. No supply can be obtained without presentation of the pass book.

This limited system of registration has been retained notwithstanding the fact that the flow of contraband is now from Canton to Hongkong instead of vice versa.



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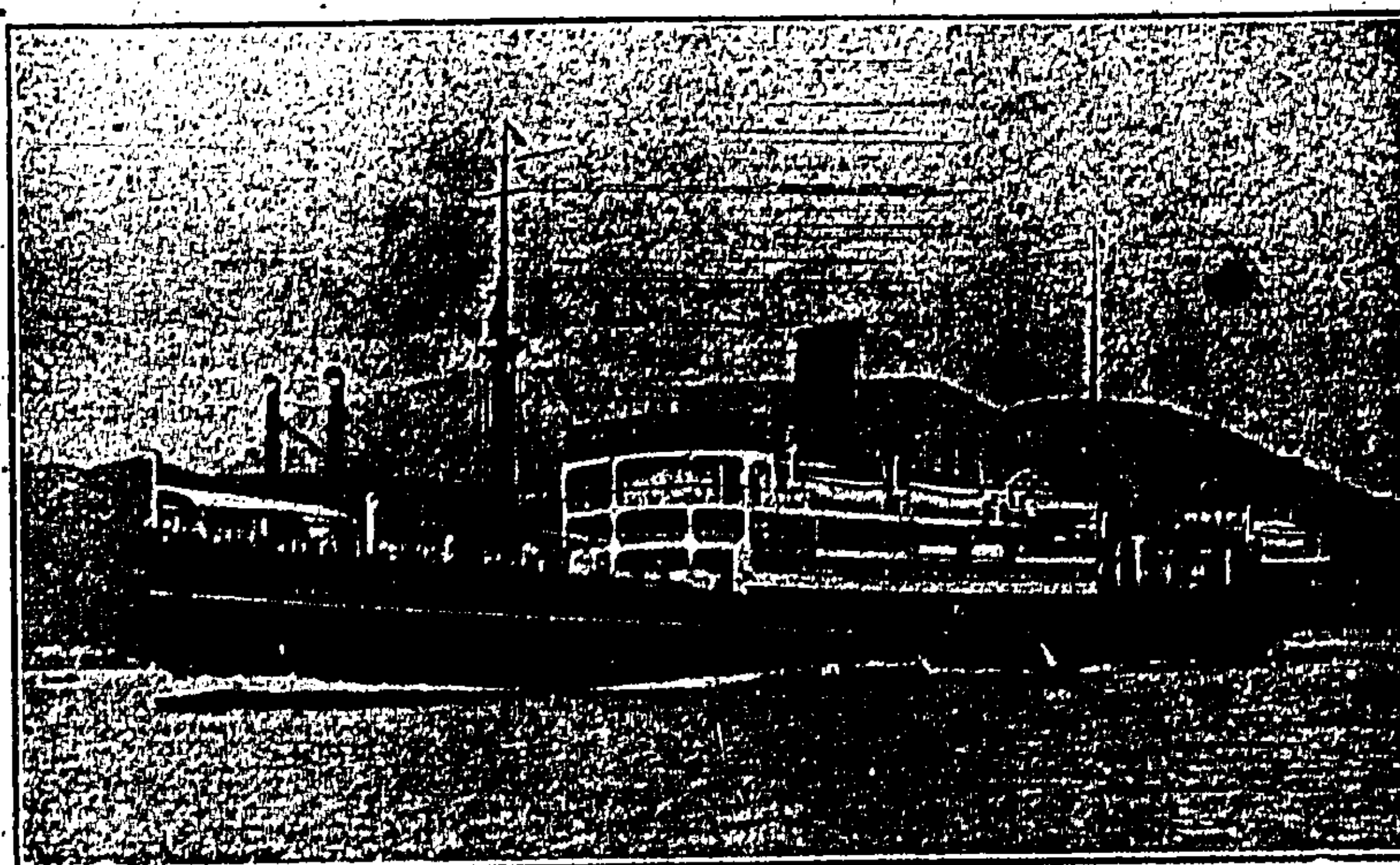
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DEATH OF FAMOUS R.A.M.C. CHIEF.

GEN. SIR ARTHUR SLOGGETT
PASSES AWAY.

AN ACTIVE CAREER.

London, Nov. 27.
The death has occurred, three
days after his 72nd birthday, of
Brig. General Sir Arthur Sloggett,
Colonel Commandant of the Royal
Army Medical Corps until last year.
Sir Arthur Sloggett entered the
R.A.M.C. in 1881, was appointed
Colonel in 1903, and Surgeon Major
General in 1908.

He served on the Indian Frontier
in 1884, with the Dongola Expedi-
tionary Force in 1896, in Sudan
in 1897 and 1898 (including
Khartoum) being dangerously
wounded, and having his horse shot
under him. He was mentioned in
despatches, and was awarded the
C.M.G. in 1900. He also served
throughout the Boer War.

At the outbreak of the Great War,
he was among the first contingents
to go to France. He was men-
tioned in despatches eight times and
received the K.C.B. and the
K.C.M.G.

In addition to his military ser-
vices, Sir Arthur Sloggett was con-
nected with many important Brit-
ish industries. He was chairman
of the Mills Equipment Company,
a Director of Bovril, Ltd., of the
English Assurance Co., of the Gen-
eral Accident, Fire and Life As-
surance Company, of the Yorkshire
Paper Mills, Ltd., and of the Mond
Staffordshire Refining Company.—
Reuter.

DECLINE IN COTTON TRADE.

KEEN DEBATE IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

London, Nov. 27.
The decline of the British cot-
ton trade was discussed in the
House of Commons this afternoon,
speakers of all Parties referring to
the fact that Lancashire's exports
of cotton goods have fallen by one-
third as compared with the pre-war
figures.

The speakers dwelt on the keen-
ness of the Japanese competition in
India and China, and various re-
medies were suggested.

Mr. William Graham, the Pres-
ident of the Board of Trade, re-
plying to the debate, said he was
unable to indicate the policy of the
Government pending the Report of
the Committee set up to enquire
into the conditions of the cotton
trade.

A motion by Sir Gerald Hurst,
the Conservative Member for Moss
Side, Manchester, welcoming the
inquiry into the cotton trade, but
deprecating Government inter-
ference was defeated by 158 votes to
86.—Reuter.

THE ANGLO-RUSSIAN RAPPROCHEMENT.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE NOT DISCUSSED.

London, Nov. 27.
In the House of Commons to-
day, Mr. Arthur Henderson, For-
eign Secretary, replied to several
questions regarding the resump-
tion of relations with Russia.

He said he was not yet able to
give the exact date on which the
British Ambassador to Russia and
the Soviet Ambassador to this
country would enter upon their
duties.

He assured a questioner that
members of the British Embassy
at Moscow would enjoy the same
diplomatic privileges as would be
granted to members of the Soviet
Embassy in this country. They
would, indeed, enjoy the usual dip-
lomatic privileges.

Mr. Henderson denied that in
his discussion with the representa-
tives of the Soviet Republic any
reference was made to financial
assistance.—British Wireless.

OPTIONAL CLAUSE.

WHITE PAPER TO BE PUBLISHED.

London, Nov. 27.
In the House of Commons to-
day, Mr. Arthur Henderson stated,
in reply to a question, that the
Government had decided to pub-
lish a White Paper explaining the
changes made in the rights and
obligations of Great Britain by the
Government's adherence to the
Optional Clause.—British Wire-
less.

London, Nov. 27.
The Air Vice-Marshal, Sir Geoff-
rey Salmond, Air Officer Com-
manding the Royal Air Force in
India, is embarking on a flying
tour round India, inspecting land-
ing facilities and ground organi-
zation. He starts from Delhi on
Sunday.—British Wireless.

COMBATting THE SHARE SLUMP.

RESPONSE TO PRESIDENT'S
APPEAL.

CONSTRUCTION PLANS.

Washington, Nov. 27.

The leaders of public utility
groups, including tramways, elec-
trical concerns and gas companies,
among them being Mr. Owen
Young, the chairman of the Gen-
eral Electric Company, met Presi-
dent Hoover to-day and outlined
construction and maintenance
programmes, totaling nearly
\$2,000,000,000 for the year 1930.

This represents an increase of
over \$8100,000,000 as compared
with 1929.

President Hoover is most grati-
fied with this material contribution
to his plan for continuing business
progress in spite of the fall in
Stock Market prices.

The War Department has an-
nounced that all Corps Commanders
have been instructed to begin im-
mediately all military construction
and repair work for which funds
are available.

The Pennsylvania Railway is of-
fering its bondholders the right to
subscribe for \$372,000,000 of com-
mon stock at its par value of \$50
per share, (the present market
value being 83%). The proceeds
of the new issue will be used to im-
prove the railway system.—Reu-
ter's American Service.

CANTON IS MORE CONFIDENT.

(Continued from Page 1.)

9 p.m. nightly. Outside of the
police search of pedestrians and
buses, there is, says the Canton
News Agency, no interference with
the movements of the people.

More Planes Arrive.

Canton, Nov. 27.
To aid in the military operations
against Kwangsi, the Central Gov-
ernment despatched three more
fighting planes, which left Han-
kow yesterday and arrived at Tai-
shatun in the afternoon.

The Chinese Women's Associa-
tion called a meeting yesterday,
which was attended by a large
gathering, being presided over by
Miss Ng Chi-mui. The object of
the meeting was to raise funds by
theatrical performance to support
the Anti-Soviet Association and to
send comforts to the troops at the
front. It was decided to hold a
performance on December 6, at the

LIVELY THREE-HOUR COAL MEETING.

Cleavage Between Owners and
Government.

COMPLETE DEADLOCK.

London, Nov. 27.
At the conclusion of a live-
ly three-hour meeting between
the Cabinet Coal Committee and
the representatives of the coal-
owners, it was stated that
it is an impossibility for the
owners to agree with the
Government's proposals.

There is a sharp cleavage
on the question of the reduc-
tion of hours, on the Market-
ing Schemes and on the estab-
lishment of a National
Wages Board.

The Trade Union leaders
state that the Government now
has no alternative but to pro-
ceed with legislation without
the assent of the owners.—
Reuter.

Nam Kuan Theatre.—The members
of the Association and students
from various schools in the city
are invited to take part in the
acting.—Canton News Agency.

DROPPING OF PAPERS FROM THE AIR.

SPEEDY DELIVERY OF NEWS ABROAD.

Geneva, Nov. 27.
The dropping of parcels of
newspapers from aeroplanes has
formed the principal topic of dis-
cussion at the European Press
Conference dealing with the trans-
port of newspapers and periodi-
cals.

The consensus favoured this
method of transit subject to the
approval of the International Com-
mission on Air Navigation which
will be recommended to amend
the Air Convention in this re-
spect.—Reuter.

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COMMENCING
TO-DAY

BIG GAME HUNTING IN MALAYA.

UNRESTRICTED SHOOTING OF IMMENSE HARM.

APPEAL IN COMMONS.

London, Nov. 27.
Concern for the fauna of the
Federated Malay States was ex-
pressed in the House of Commons
to-day when Sir George Penny,
who spent many years in Malaya,
declared that the fauna of the Malay
States was rapidly growing more
scarce owing to unrestricted shoot-
ing.

Sir George suggested that the
Colonial Office should take steps to
see that restrictive measures were
imposed to preserve and safeguard
big game in Malaya.

Mr. W. Lunn, the Under-Secretary
for the Colonies, replying, pointed
out that measures for the protec-
tion of wild fauna of Malaya had
already been taken. Apart from game
reserves there were forest reserves
which constituted a sanctuary to
wild animals since indiscriminate
shooting was not allowed there.

Sir George Penny contended that
the existing machinery was quite
inadequate and added that there
was a great fear that big game in
Malaya would soon disappear.

Captain W. G. Ormsby-Gore sug-
gested that the reserves were not at
fault but that the machinery for
effectively seeing that the law was
carried out had broken down.
Powers ought to be given to the
game-warden.

Mr. Lunn replied that if the
measures already taken were un-
satisfactory he would enquire into
the matter.—Reuter.

TURKEY AND RUSSIA SETTLE.

SLIGHT COOLNESS NOW TO DISAPPEAR?

Constantinople, Nov. 27.
After long and laborious nego-
tiations a provisional agreement
between Turkey and Soviet Rus-
sia has been reached, regulating
mutual trading for a period of 10
months.

Turkish exports to Russia will
be resumed in December.
It is assumed that the slight
Turco-Russian coolness which has
been evident of late will now dis-
appear.—Reuter.

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when she dis-
covered he was
a crook?

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